Chancellor sees no recovery **before 1976**

r Healey, Chancellor of the chequer, and Mr Heath, Leader the Opposition, made gloomy ognostications on the economy in lebate in the Commons last night. e Chancellor said the outlook darkened even since the

November Budget. He did not think the tide would turn before the end of next year.

Mr Heath said the country stood on the brink of hyperinflation. The normal mechanisms of production, finance and saving had collapsed.

Mr Heath fears catastrophe

iamentary Correspondent minster

r Healey, Chancellor of the hequer, and Mr Heath, ing a debate yesterday on economy, from their re-tive front benches, gave Commons a dose of presmas gloom.

te debate ended with a vote onfidence for the Govern-t on its handling of the omy by 301 votes to 280, a nity of 21.

le Chancellor, after likenthe Tory leader to the fat in the Pickwick Papers e only role was to make lesh creep, went on to tell House that never before seacetime had the nation I the economic difficulties he complexity and scale i this year. The year ahead t be even more daunting. Ve must expect a period hich our living standards not rise and could even , he said. Although he tht the tide would turn in in the meantime we d have to be fitter. "We certainly not be fatter; we have a leaner and more ent economy."

said he would do his best rrsuade his colleagues to the measures that might e the tide to turn in our r before the end of next r before the end of next Government was presiding over The outlook, he added, and hastening the decay, des-larkened a good deal even truction and collapse of the

in the five weeks since the Budget debate.

The world was in a recestion, finance, and saving.

Clashing repeatedly with Mr

The world was in a recession and the question was whether it would move from a recession into a slump. It appeared possible that world output and trade might not grow at all next year and that recovery would be postponed until 1976. Mr Healey, describing Mr Heath as the Prince of Dark-ness and the Beelzebub from Bexley, added that there was

bound to be some increase in the rate of inflation because of increases in world prices not expected by anyone a few months ago. But he expressed the hope, not echoed from the Conserva-

tive benches, that the successful operation of the social contract would reduce the amount of wage inflation. "Sit down, , a Tory MP shouted. Mr Heath was clearly a match for the Chancellor in gloom and

Today, he said, the country stood on the brink of hyperin-flation. In the two months since the election Britain had been faced with the worst rate of inflation, the worst balance of trade deficit and current account deficit, the worst rate for sterling, and the collapse of the stock market, now at its lowest level for 20 years. The

normal mechanisms of produc-tion, finance, and saving.

Clashing repeatedly with Mr.

Healey, Mr. Wilson, and Mr.

Foot, Secretary of State for Employment, Mr. Heath said that the task facing the people was the most formidable ever-faced in peacetime. The extreme gravity of the crisis had begravity of the crisis had be-come appallingly clear in the past fortnight and there was every indication that it would

become worse.

The attitude of the Conciliation and Arbitration Service seemed to be that it was pre-pared to secure industrial peace at any price, and that could not be reconciled with an effective

be reconciled with an effective anti-inflationary policy. In the present inflationary situation, approaching hyper-inflation, the Government must act on wages unless the nation was to head for catstrophe.

The Opposition was prepared to cooperate with the Govern-ment to save the mixed economy on which the nation's prosperity depended. He indicated that to get such cooperation there would have to be agreement to cut the vast borrowing require-ment the Chancellor had em-barked on.

The people were prepared to make a response to the crisis if the Government would only acknowledge the gravity of the

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renounces 'trade for emigration?

Moscow, Dec 18.—The Soviet
Union today renounced any
trade agreement with the United
States that binds Moscow to
ease emigration.

Moscow also disclosed that
the rejection of a move offering

the rejection of a move offering trade concessions in return for easing emigration had been sent to Dr Benry Kissinger, the American Secretary of State, nearly two months ago. It accused him of keeping silent about the true Soviet stance.

After a delay of two years Congress passed the amended trade Bill, granting the Soviet Union most favoured nation status, last Friday.

status, last Friday. In a statement, Tass de nounced "attempts to include provisions concerning . . . the departure of Soviet citizens for

other countries."

The Soviet Union "flatly rejected as unacceptable . . . at tempts to interfere in internal affairs that are entirely the concern of the Soviet state and

The Tass statement added that in American-Soviet trade relations, "matters reached such a point when the positive solu-tion of questions was made de-pendent on all kinds of qualifications and demands that were

nothing but gross interference "This is the only way to qualify the attempts to include in the Bill provisions concerning, for instance, the departure of Soviet citizens for other countries etc.
Tass also published the text

of a letter from Mr. Andrei Gromyko, the Soviet Foreign Minister, which, it said, was handed to Dr Kissinger on October 26.

October 25.

In it Mr Gromyko protested that "elucidations" given by the Soviet Union were interpreted by the United States as "assurances and nearly obligations on our part regarding the procedure of the departure of Soviet citizens from the USSR."

"Some figures are even being

"Some figures are even being quoted as to the supposed num-ber of such citizens, and there is talk about an anticipated increase of that number as compared with previous years. We resolutely decline such an interpretation", Mr Gromyko was quoted as saying in the letter.—UPL

Frank Vogl writes from Washington: "It's fallen on us like a ton of bricks", was the reaction of a White House official today to the Soviet

The Tass statement could not have come at a worse time. Congress has just a couple of days now to pass pending legislation before the present session ends. Urgent consultations took place this morning between leaders of both Houses of Congress to reach compromises over two Bills that directly affect trade with the Soviet Union.

The Times

We apologize to readers, wholesalers and newsagents who did not receive their copies of The Times yesterday. Industrial action by the National Graphical Association estion now poses itself prevented publication of our Continued on page 17, col 1 normal print order.

Soviet Union Mr Mellish withdraws resignation threat after clash on backbench defence revolt

Mr Robert Mellish, govern-ment chief whip and a member of the Cabinet since the election, last night withdrew a letter of resignation which he sent to the Prime Minister on Tuesday night. This was announced from 10 Downing Street after a day of uncertainty and speculation, Mr Walter Harrison, deputy chief whip, had said that he and other members of the whip's staff were prepared to resign with Mr Mellish.

Mr Mellish had acted in pro-test against the Prime Mini-ster's decision to take no disciplinary action when eight parliamentary private secre-taries formed part of a block of 54 left-wing Labour back-benchers voting against the Government's defence review in the Commons on Monday night. Parliamentary private secretaries are not members of the Administration, but by convention they are expected to show

loyalty to the Government on three-line whips. Otherwise it is easy to conclude that the ministers they serve have

doubts about particular aspects of government policy.

Mr Wilson, in the middle of a luncheon at 10 Downing Street with the Prime Minister of Mauritius and heavily burdened with meetings, asked to see Mr Mellish at 1.30 pm yesterday and spent 20 minutes discussing the resignation with discussing the resignation with

At the end of Monday's debate on the defence review 52 Labour backbenchers, with two tellers, voted against the Government. Among the dissidents were eight parliamentary private segretaries. Mr. Rode private secretaries—Mr Roderick, Mr Kinnock, Mr Roy Hughes, Mr Edge, Mr Ashton (appointed to Mr Benn that day), Mr Rooker, Mr Mark Hughes, and Mr James Lamond. In Mr Wilson's name it was hinted that although the mutiny was regarded as serious

there would be no disciplinary

Mr Mellish, who became
Labour Chief Whip in 1969 and
apart from a short interval as
Minister of Public Building and Works, has continued in the ex-acting post ever since, has always believed that three-line whips should be obeyed as a matter of party loyalty.

There is no doubt that before

the October election this year he hankered for a ministerial post, but Mr Wilson persuaded him to carry on, though with

a Cabinet seat.

He now takes the view that the chief whip's post becomes impossible if there is no party discipline. "I cannot carry on like this", he told friends yes-

terday.
Mr Harrison, who is Mr Mellish's deputy, made clear yes-terday his sympathy not only with Mr Mellish's attitude but with the underlying grievance.
"The chief whip", he said,
"has sent a resignation letter

to the Prime Minister giving him an opportunity to make an him an opportunity to make an alteration in the position of chief whip. Mellish has had a fairly tough six years, and in the past six weeks there has been increased difficulty with various members of the Parlia-

mentary Labour Party, who have made it very uncomfortable for the whips.

"He believes he has a good ream of whips working behind him. I am behind him. I encompared by the state of the st joy working with him, and if his resignation is accepted. I feel that there could be other resignations. I for one will have to support him, because I have been messed about by certain individuals over the past few

weeks."

Mr Harrison said it was not merely the backbench revolt on Monday. There were new Labour MPs who had been in the House only a few weeks, who owed their seats to the Labour Party, but who could not support a Labour Government in the lobbies on a three-line whim. They were reserv-

line whip. They were reserving the right not to be loyal to Labour.

Mr Mellish's threat of resignation is all the more traumatic for the party because nobody has supported Mr Wilson with stronger loyalty since he became chief whip. Mr Wilson owes him a personal debt beyond calculation.

MP for Bermondsey and des-cended from a family of Thamesside dockers, Mr Mellish, as a sponsored member of the Transport and General Workers' Union, has always put parry loyalty first. Instinctively he belongs to the party's right wing. but his bluff good nature and nolitical acumen has allowed him to maintain fairly good

relations with the left.
Possibly Mr Wilson has mis-calculated and taken Mr Mellish's party loyalty too much for granted in treating lightly the left-wing mutiny on defence last Monday night. Like many other trade union MPs, Mr Mellish be-lieves a three-line whip means what it says, and that the Government's safety is in his keeping. He needs to be sure that et a moment's notice he can produce full numbers in the division

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ECD warns West of 'ugly rout'

Peter Jay omics Editor

Dec, 18 vival of the political may of the western world, 3 on the formula of pros us democracy, hangs in the ace with the scales weightowards failure. The worst are the United Kingdom with the United s and Germany having the chances of ultimately meetthe double challenge of

is is the implicit judgment ie independent secretariat ie Organization for Econo-Cooperation and Developin their twice-yearly omic Outlook published to-

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Europe, Japan and Australasia, the commentary of the inter-national team of economists in the Economic Outlook provides the most authoritative available of world economic

They conclude that the indus-trial democracies are being put precedented outside time of war" and that the governments are having to meet it with "peacetime weapons and peace-time public responses".

The OECD's forecasts project "deepest" and "longest" recession in the western economies since the 1930s. Specifically it suggests that "total demand and output in the OECD area in the second half of 1975 are likely to be very little higher than two years earlier.

entailing a larger margin of unused resources than has been seen in the postwar period, with unemployment rising throughout the period and into 1976. On the basis of present poli-cies "little or no growth" is foreseen in the United Kingdom and Italy, while output in the United States is actually ex-pected to fall by 2 per cent in 1975. The OECD adds the warning that there is "a risk in 1975. of a break in confidence, and therefore of a considerably weaker picture" even than that suggested by the forecasts. In other words, the OECD suggests that it would not take much to turn the present gen-eral retreat into an ugly rout.

In these circumstances, the OECD demurely observes, "the question now poses itself

£85m rescue move for Crown Agents

Mr Mellish has always felt that three-line whips should be strictly obeyed.

By Maurice Corina Industrial Editor

has been that it makes no call on public funds.

The news last night shocked the City, which saw it as the biggest wave yer from the secondary banking crisis. It is bound to cause anxieties among the 290 overseas governments and public authorities served by this historic institution Annual deposits from Crown

Agents' principals total about £300m, and funds managed on their behalf are worth about £850m. In addition, the non-banking services supply £160m of goods to foreign authorities. Less than three months ago the Government put in Mr John Cuckney as full-time chairman after a radical reform of the Crown Agents structure. One of

his first actions was to go through the books, calling in expert help from Coopers and Lybrand, accountants, with Morgan Grenfell, the merchant bankers, joining in. The result has been an urgent request to Mrs Hart, Minister of Overseas Development (who

first challenged the old-style Crown Agents some years ago about their unbridled activities), for financial assistance. It will take the form of a £85m Treasury grant, one of the biggest handouts from the taxpayer outside the nationalized industries.

Mr Cuckney told me, after listening to Mrs Hart tell the Commons of liquidity and re-serve troubles, that the difficulty for the new board put in by the Government was lack

Pickets plea rejected

Mr Wilson refused to intervene in the

case of the jailed Shrewsbury pickets when a TUC delegation, led by Mr Len

Murray, the general secretary, called on him yesterday to urge him to secure their release by Christmas Page 4

Body in freezer: Man who killed his wife and hid her body in a deep freezer gets 10 years' jail for manslaughter 3

Madrid: Political tension rises in Spain as three are shot dead in hunt for outlawed Basque separations 5

Paris: M Chirac wins a political triumph with the parliamentary defeat of a

Washington: More Nixon ministers are

of time. The Crown Agents were nearing the year's end and decisions had to be made on balance-sheet provisions for a Industrial Editor

An £85m rescue operation is being mounted by the Government to safeguard the banking operations of the Crown Agents operation, whose proud boast the value of assets had fallen, affecting the reserves, against the background of troubles well because on the City. known to the City.
The Crown Agents were

established last century to arrange finance and to carry out other commercial duties for the colonies. They have always acted for overseas principals, independent of Whitehall and parliamentary investigation.
It is crucial that confidence in

the Crown Agents should be maintained. Overseas govern-ments use their services to make important sterling and foreign exchange deposits in London, backed by government stocks and other securities. A significant slice of exports is arranged by Crown Agents. Property and banking: With

turnover of about £15m a day placed on the money market on behalf of their clients the Crown Agents had the capacity to borrow in the market on their own account (our Political Staff writes). They proceeded to do so and to invest the money to build up their reserves. From 1969 onwards they be-

came more and more involved in property and secondary bank-ing. Early in 1970 Mrs Hart became aware of the extent of those involvements but found that, although as minister she appointed the chairman, she had no powers to give the Crown Agents instructions. The incoming Conservative Government appointed the Stevenson Committee, whose report was not published, and further inquiries were made by a select committee of the Commons.

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Mr Whitlam approves of Britain staying in

EEC wanted steady access to Australian minerals and energy products, like coal and uranium, it must be a reliable customer for agricultural products, a reference to the EEC's present ban on beef imports.
On Britain's sugar needs, he said this year's Australian crop

At a press conference near

any advantage for Australia, for Europe or for the world, in Community."
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last night. Hundreds were usted from flats, resants and a ballroom after received warnings of furexplosions. re first bomb exploded after rning and wrecked the front a photographer's shop in Street Police who went to stigate were hit by debris n the second bomb went off, most of the blast was ab-

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ed by a fire engine.

Severe sentences for Bordeaux wine fraud reflect damage to the trade

From Charles Hargrove Paris, Dec 18

Pierre Bert, the central figure in the Bordeaux wine fraud case, was today sentenced to the maximum penalty allowed by French law, a year's and a fige of imprisonment and a fine of 27,000 francs (about £2,500), for doctoring and mislabelling wine. The court in Bordeaux had deliberated for 33 days. Lionel and Yvan Cruse, cousins from the respected wine firm bearing their name, were firm bearing their name, were each sentenced to a year's imprisonment suspended and a 27,000 franc fine, with the added indignity of three years' probation, which is equivalent to putting the family firm under judicial supervision

Serge Balan, who acted for

been upgraded to noble Médocs, Saint Emilions and Graves, was given a suspended sentence of six months impri-soument and a fine of 20,000 francs. Four other wine dealers were

found guilty and given suspen-ded sentences of four months to a year, the maximum fine, and three years' probation. Ten others accused were acquitted.
Both the Cruses gave notice
of appeal against sentence and
so did M Bert, who said he was
not surprised by the verdict.

M Bert had boasted cynically in court that everyone in the trade was guilty of doctoring Bordeaux and the severity of the judges was obviously dictated by the damage which the case had Serge Balan, who acted for M Bert, a broker, in buying and selling vins ordinaires that had done to the reputation of Bordeaux and of the wine trade generally.

The public prosecutor spoke at the trial of the need to prune ruthlessly a few diseased branches in order to show that the Bordeaux vine plant is

M Bert, by doctoring wines of the Corbières and other vineyards of the south-west, made a profit of nearly 5m francs in a ew months. The courtroom was crowded

with professionals of the wine trade and reporters. The reading of the long verdict, about the length of a small paperback, was not helped by the poor acoustics which seem to be an almost uni-versal failing of French courts. The sentences were pro-nounced against a background of murmuring, but there were no demonstrations of overt approval or disapproval.

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Petrol pump closures

Thousands of petrol stations are likely to be shut today because many have been supplied with fuel at the increased price but are not allowed to charge the new retail price until tomorrow. The retailers say they cannot be expected to sell at a loss. Page 2

Appeal Court lifts book restriction

A girl aged 14 may be taken out of Britain in the next 48 hours to prevent her from knowing that her father is described in a book to be published next week as "deprayed". Her father died when she was small and her mother remarried. The Court of Appeal yesterday refused to uphold restrictions on day refused to uphold restrictions on the book Law Report, page 8

Motorail fares

British Rail has asked the Price Commission to allow a 30 per cent increase in Motorail fares next year. Even so, another 10,000 bookings for the service, which carries passengers and their cars on the same train, are expected in 1975 as petrol prices rise

US refused to sit on aid committee

The United States has refused to sit on a new United Nations committee for distributing aid, decided on at a special General Assembly session earlier this year. This reflects the American's determination not to bow to majority deci-sions of which they disapprove. They intend to continue using present channels for aid Page 6

Raid into Lebanon Israel troops raided a village six miles inside Lebanon yesterday. They blew Israel troops raided a vinage on inside Lebanon yesterday. They blew up houses which they said were used by terrorists and took some prisoners. Page 6

Sugar plan starts The EEC scheme to provide cheap sugar for Britain got under way last night when the European Commission approved imports of 102,000 tons. Page 5

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expected to resign as President Ford reshapes his cabinet 6 Athens: Choice by Mr Karamanlis of an interim President stirs inter-party friction in Greece Energy Management: Four page Special Report discusses conservation, areas where savings can be made, and the environmental problems.

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Vladimir Komlev explores the possi-bilities for military detent in Europe; Bernard Levin: A case of thee less said the better; Peter Strafford on the new mood of militancy at the UN.

Leader page, 15 Letters: The economy from Sir Alec Cairneross and others; kidney trans-plants from Professor H. E. de Wardener and the Secretary of the Medical Defence Union; Britain and the Middle East from Dr M. R. Mehdi and others. Leading articles: Wage inflation; Mr Whitlam's visit; Bordeaux wine trial.

Michael Ratcliffe on "The Secret Life of Plants"; Paul Theroux on short stories by V. S. Pritchett and Roald Dahl.

Sport, pages 12 and 13 Racing: Sponsors' names allowed in big race titles; Folkestone and Southwell programmes; John Woodcock reports England's reaction to Test defeat. Business news, pages 17-23

Stock market: Both equities and gilts

held up well yesterday. The FT index added 1.9 higher at 161.1.

Peter Jay Thursday column: Disinflation without tears—how to stop prices rising without bankruptcies and unemployment and how deemsday may be ployment, and how doomsday may be postponed.

From Roger Berthoud Brussels, Dec 18 Mr Whitlam. the Minister of Australia, today finally buried the idea linger finally buried the idea linger Mr Whitlam. The Prime EEC. "It is about time that all this shilly-shallying way finally buried the idea linger Mr Whitlam. The Prime EEC. "It is about time that all this shilly-shallying way finally buried the idea linger Mr Whitlam. The Prime EEC. "It is about time that all this shilly-shallying way finally buried the idea linger Mr Whitlam. The Prime EEC. "It is about time that all this shilly-shallying way finally buried the idea linger Mr Whitlam. The Prime EEC. "It is about time that all this shilly-shallying way finally buried the idea linger Mr Whitlam. The Prime EEC. "It is about time that all this shilly-shallying way finally buried the idea linger Mr Whitlam. The Prime EEC. "It is about time that all this shilly-shallying way finally buried the idea linger Mr Whitlam. The Prime EEC." It is about time that all this shilly-shallying way finally buried the idea linger Mr Whitlam. The idea linger Mr ing among British anti-marketers that his country would impression that the present welcome Britain's withdrawal Australian Government sees

from the EEC. He also implied that, if the

was now fully committed. Any deal would have to be with the

the end of his three-day visit to Brussels, Mr Whitlam confirmed specifically that his

policy statement which pre-ceded his press conference with a reference to European economic and political integration as "one of the great hisation as "one of the great nistorical forward movements of
this century". A strong EEC,
the biggest trading block in
the world, was an "essential
pillar of worldwide economic
stability", he said.

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Gulf Superflights

To Bahrain, Abu Dhabi, Doha. Dhahran, Dubai, Muscat and Kuwait. The only direct services to all these cities.





Many petrol retailers shutting today over price increase

By Edward Townsend Business News Staff

Ten thousand filling stations day. They say they cannot cut prices or delay introduction afford to sell it until the record of the increase.

sociation sent a telegram to Mr all grades at its own and inde-Varley, Secretary of State for pendent filling stations. Varley, Secretary of State for Energy, criticizing him for announcing increases in whole-

Mr Geoffrey Atkinson, general secretary of the associa-Atkinson, tion, said garages would inevitably be accused of hoarding petrol, but they could not be expected to sell at a loss. A third of all garages, about 10.000, might be closed today.
The telegram accused Mr Varley of misleading MPs, the publications of the control lic and the garage trade by describing the increase in wholesale petrol prices as about

year to the oil companies. The minister had also misled the public, it said, by stating that the retail price rise should not exceed 10p a gallon. The association has said that with the abolition of maximum price control a gallon of four-star

In a statement supporting the claims of authors to reasonable

financial rewards, the Library Association today declares its opposition to the proposed Pub-

lic Lending Right as a proper remedy for their troubles.

"The penurious full-time author is not going to find com-fort and prosperity in the funds

provided by a Public Lending

Right", the association says. It is one of the bodies being con-

sulted by the Government on the method of PLR to be adop-

ted when legislation is intro-

author whose works are in con-

A year's public service by every citizen, a contribution of

time, not money, was suggested

by Professor Ralph Dahrendorf,

Director of the London School

of Economics, when he gave the

final Reith Lecture on BBC

Radio 4 last night.
Professor Dahrendorf, whose

subject has been "The New Liberty—survival and justice in a changing world", said: "We need people to do the things

which we need in order to im-

prove our lives and increase our life chances. This may well be a

task to which everybody in a mature society should make a

personal contribution; a con-

By a Staff Reporter

" What will happen is that the

Meanwhile, the first signs of in Britain which have taken a possible price war at the delivery of petrol at the inpumps emerged yesterday with creased price may be shut totwo big retailers promising to

increase in retail prices, which will add at least 10p a gallon to the price of four-star fuel, comes into effect at midnight. Many closed early yesterday.

The Petroleum Retailers' AsThe Petroleum Retailers' As-

The retailers' association told members yesterday to maintain sale petrol prices on Tuesday prices in the face of under-but delaying the retail price cutting. It has also told the Government that petrol pumps are unlikely to be able to cope with the new high prices. Gauges registering the cash amount due will be revolving so fast that the final total may be inaccurate.

The Roal Haulage Association said yesterday that the 2p a gallon rise in Derv prices would boost operators' costs by 0.7 per cent. It was another of the many increases in recent months that had led to the need to raise

7p instead of 7.35p, the differ road-haulage charges greatly, ence amounting to about £16m a The big increase in petr The big increase in petrol prices may also help sales of diesel engine cars. The Mercedes Benz and Peugeot companies have predicted an upsurge in interest in Britain From Friday, petrol will be at least 164p a gallon more expensive than

ries, and 7,000 new authors pub-

An alternative more likely to

ties and was not thinking of a

labour service drafted at the

age of 18, uniformed and bar-

racked, marching out in the

mornings singing martial songs to work up the energy for

building motorways or digging trenches.
"It is quite possible to be

liberal and public-spirited at the

same time. There is no need to

draft everybody at the same time in his or her life; there

can be options for the kind of

service people prefer; they

might even scatter their services

over different times and tasks."
He saw no reason why the notion of sabbaticals should be

groups, professors for example,

payment to authors.

People urged to work for others



Detectives raided five houses yesterday in the wake of the three bomb explosions in London on Tuesday in which a man was killed. The detectives, members of the bomb squad, questioned some neonle but no questioned some people but no arrests were made.

Senior officials of the Post Office, led by Sir William Ryland, the chairman, visited the Bloomsbury exchange in Chenies Street, off Tottenham Court Road, where an explosion killed Mr George Arrhur, a tele-phonist, aged 35, of Kingsmead Road, Tulse Hill, south-west London.

Sir William said: "I am shocked and horrified that a Post Office man going about his duty serving the public lost his life in the most callous circumstances."

Mr Gregor Mackenzie, an under-secretary of state at the Department of Industry, who has responsibility for Post Office affairs, visited the other two exchanges involved in the bombings, at New Compton Street, Soho, and between Dray-cott Avenue and Sloane Avenue, Chelsea. He said he was sad-dened by the mindless destruc-

The TUC General Council ex-pressed its shock and asked Mr Tom Jackson, general secretary of the Union of Post Office Workers, to convey its sym-pathy to the victims. It also expressed its admiration for the courage of post workers.



Damage being examined after the fatal bombing on Tuesday night at the Bloomsbury telephone exchange in Chenies Street.

School pay Library Association opposes report method of paying authors to appear on **Friday** On the estimate of 113,000 authors eligible on a scheme of books handled by public libra-

By Our Education Correspondent

lished each year, if only half registered under such a scheme, The Houghton report on the average annual payment would be £18 for each £1m availteachers' pay will be published on Friday, Mr Prentice, Secreable for sharing among authors. tary of State for Education and The association points out that the limitation of the scheme to public libraries, and exclud-ing those in universities, Science, said in the Commons yesterday. It was delivered to him on Tuesday.

schools, industry and other in-stitutions, would be a biased sample on which to calculate Lord Houghton is expected to recommend increases costing about £400m. Those at the top of the profession would get Libraries brought books to much siderable demand, and who is already probably in receipt of a quite generous income, will receive the lion's share, and the author of the book in lesser demore than junior teachers.

The department is unlikely to disclose the average increase, but a total cost of £400m would mand, however deserving and poorly paid he may be, will receive an amount that is not likely to make any marked difgive an average of about 30 per

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politicians in opposition.

"Short of such a rule". he

Modern societies could afford a

continued, "or perhaps to sup-plement it, why not give every

young man and woman a voucher for, say, three years' tertiary or further education? This right could be used up

immediately after school, or

later, in one lot, or scattered

Such a scheme would offer

new and relevant choices at a

cost hardly greater than that of

forcing an academic or polytechnic education down the

throats of 10, 20, even 30 per

cent of all young people straight

over a lifetime."

out of school.

sabbatical for everybody.

Belfast peace clergy see Secretary of State

From Stewart Tendler

Four Protestant church leaders from Belfast who met the Provisional IRA last week visited Westminster yesterday to see Mr Rees, Secretary of State for Northern Iteland. Their visit caused further speculation about a possible ceasefire in the province.

The meeting at the Commons was arranged last week, supposedly as part of the peace initiative by the Irish churches. But it was requested after the clergymen had talked to senior Provisional IRA members at Feakle, co Clare. At that time the clergymen were waiting to hear a decision by the Provi-sionals' army council about the church leaders' ideas for achieving a ceasefire.

The army council, which has eight members, is believed to

have met secretly on Tuesday. The clergymen had said that they would be prepared to take messages between the Govern- a controlled explosion. ment and the Provisionals and that they would talk with Mr announcement.

Relatives at the homes of the day that their visit to London was unexpected.

clergymen were the Church of Ireland Bishop of Connor, Dr Butler; Mr Stanley Connor, Dr Butler; Mr Stanley
Worral, chairman of the New
Ulster Movement; Dr A. J.
Weir, clerk of the General
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Assembly of the Press Association reports). Church in Ireland; and the Rev E. Gallagher, former President dist Church in Ireland. None of the clergymen who

has disclosed what proposals were left for the army council after a police raid had dis-rupted talks. But it seems clear that a compromise between the Provisionals' avowed requirements for a ceasefire and the Government's position were

suggested The Provisionals have said that among the things they require for a ceasefire are an undertaking of an eventual British withdrawal and selfdetermination for the Irish

people.

If a ceasefire is achieved it might mean that the Pro-visionals feel it is time to establish themselves in the political

The violence in Northern Ire land continued yesterday. A shop in South Antrim Road, Belfast, was badly damaged after two girls walked in and left a parcel on the counter saying it was a bomb. Security forces blew the parcel up with

Later in the day a small bomb was planted in a lavatory Belfast, but no one was hurt. Damages for widow: widow of a man shot dead by the Army more than two years ago was awarded agreed damages of £20,148 in the High Court in Belfast yesterday (the

action against the Ministry of Defence for the death of her husband, Patrick, aged 45, who was shot from a passing car near his home on May 13, 1972. attended the meeting at Feakle The ministry denied liability.

rise in car-carrying rate By Michael Baily

Transport Correspondent Fares on British Rail's Motorail car-carrying services are to go up by around 30 per cent next year, if the Price Commission agrees.

But British Rail expects

Treatment

like Belsen,

Treatment of a boy aged 2½ by the mother and two men would not have done discredit

to Belsen or Auschwitz, Judge McLellan said at Salisbury

John Robert Brading, aged 28,

his brother, William James Brading, aged 33, and Barbara

Jean Gavin, aged 23, pleaded guilty to ill treating Miss Gavin's

assaulting him, causing bodily

The brothers were each sentenced to seven years' imprisonment and the mother to three

years. The judge said the

offences occurred under the

nose of the authorities appoin-ted to superintend the welfare of helpless children and might

never have come to light but

for the initiative and interven-

tion of a Salisbury district coun-cillor, Miss Susan Greig.

Mr Mark Dyer, for the prosecution, said the child was struck on the face and body,

made to eat his own excreta, forced to stand in a bucket of

cold water, and locked in a

The offences occurred at a

farmhouse at Swallowcliffe, near

Salisbury, where the three

defendants were living. Miss Gavin acting as William

British Rail seeks 30%

Gavin acting as William Brading's housekeeper after his

wife had left him.

lavatory for long periods.

causing suffering, and

judge says

Crown Court yesterday.

of boy

another record year for the service with an extra 10,000 places, in spite of the proposed fare increase, because of higher petrol prices.

Examples of likely fare rises are (for driver and car, one

way): London to Stirling over-night (excluding sleeper) from 516.80 to £23.50; London to Newton Abbot daytime service, £19.40 to £23.

Over the three-year period, 1972-74, Motorail traffic has risen from 68,000 to 90,000 at a time when fares have gone up

The fare rises now proposed include the 121 per cent refused by the Government last autumn. British Rail is confident that they will not arrest traffic growth. Peak services to holiday areas and round-the-year ser-vices to Scotland are being

"The 1974 season was a record", Mr Eric Jones, British Rail passenger sales manager, said. "And with the rising cost of motoring and the popularity of holidays in Britain, 1975 is expected to be better still." Christmas travel threat: British Rail signalmen have called an unofficial walkout today (the Press Association reports). Southern Region hopes that most mainline services will not be affected, but gives warning possible cancellations and

NUM moderates defeat move to merge areas

By Paul Routledge Labour Editor

of Mineworkers ended yesterday with the moderates retaining control of their in-built majority on the union's national execu-

By 16 votes to 11 the executive opted to keep the tiny Cumberland area, which has only one pit, as a constituent area of the NUM, with a fulltime agent and a seat on the executive. And in a further vote o 14 to 12 the executive rejected a proposal from the finance and general purposes sub-committee to abolish the very

small North Wales area. Insignificant though those votes appear to be, they hold the key to the political compo-sition of the miners' executive because these "coalfields", with only about three thousand miners between them, return two moderates to the top body in the union. If these areas were merged with neighbouring coalfields, as the left have con-sistently argued, the moderates would lose their easy dominance

of the union's affairs. Yesterday's voting on the issue confirms the breakdown of

NUM policy-making machinery. The finance committee had pro-A fresh round in the internal posed that Cumberland should retain its area status because leadership of the National Union difficulties in servicing the area" from the nearest coalfield, Lancashire. It also proposed, however, that because the North Wales area council of the NUM was not pressing for replacement to Mr Joshua Ellis, the area secretary, when he retires in April, the coal-field organization could be merged with another constituent

first recommendation, favourable to the moderates, was carried, but the second, favourable to the left, was referred back (and thus rejected) with moderates who had taken part in formulating that view going against the committee's recommendation. The freedom of subcommittee members to vote as they like at executive meetings, conferred when Mr Joseph Gormley, the union's president, upheld that view last week, is clearly already causing serious repercussion within the union.
The NUM executive also heard

report on exploratory wage talks held between national officials of the union and the National Coal Board two days the committee system within the ago. The board made no offer, ling the forgery.

deep felt concern since, in end, your council have the i dom to fix these salaries.

Mr Silkin said the Gov ment's rate support gram designed to keep down r

Council in pay dispute

gives minister rebuff

By Christopher Warman

Barnet Borough Council's decision to pay its chief officers

salaries above the nationally

agreed scales has brought a

rebuke from Mr Silkin, Minister, for Planning and Local Govern-

In a letter to Councillor

Andrew Pares, the leader of the

council, Mr Silkin asked for full

reconsideration, and the council will discuss the issue tonight.

Mr Silkin had been told of the proposed increases in November. He asked the council for

details, saying that he con-sidered them provocative. After receiving the reply, Mr Silkin

wrote that he was not per-suaded by the arguments put

forward. Mr Silkin said the maximum

rate for the chief executive,

file 100, would exceed the national maximum by £595. The proposed salary for the director of financial services would

spending to inescapable commit-ments, I could not well ignore the proposals which your council is

putting forward.
As the minister responsible for local government my only power in this matter is to express my

The controversy arose after

Local Government

and that the proposed incre were not inescapable com In reply, Mr Pares said:
I am bound to say that the c
cil is most surprised that a n
ter should intervene at all in
metter, and the view has
widely expressed that your
cern is based on what can oul
described an a based door. described as a back-door i political contact by a member the minority party of this cou

and following a quite inacci press report on which your vious press statement was b. He said that the minis calculations on the prop salaries had ignored the r that in the five years from A 1, 1972, the chief officers w have had an annual increas the rate of 8.6 per cent. inflation at about 20 per a year, he considered

modest in the extreme. In a previous letter to M of financial services would exceed the national agreement by up to £1,517.

As you know, my position in this is merely to act on behalf of the public we all serve. At a time when central government is appealing for moderation and local government is asked to peg spending to inseramble commitkin, Mr Pares said the cou had not adopted salaries acc ing to the national scales cause when the borough formed from five authoritie 1964 it had proved impos to apply those scales.

The council had adopted principle that to attract an tain chief officers of the dard required an adeq scale of remuneration mus

Gas engine cleared of bribe charg

A Gas Council engineer cleared at the Central Crim Court yesterday of accepti bribe from a company engi on a £2.5m North Sea gas I line contract.

Russell Emmony, aged 5: Heron Cottage, London R Bracknell, Berkshire, de corruptly accepting a £206 duction on a debt to Pipe Construction Ltd, of Hitchir. the purchase of a car, as ar ducement to show favour. It business with the Gas Cou from July to September 19

At the close of the pros tion's case, Judge Rigg, directed the jury to find Emmony not guilty of charge. He said there was evidence that Mr Emmony aware he was receiving the duction from Pipeline, st could not be said that he ruptly accepted it.

Mr David Tudor Price, the prosecution, said that Emmony had told the po that he wanted to buy a ticular model of a new car, because of a strike he could get it. The managing dire of Pipeline had offered to the car for him through

company at a discount. Mr Emmony had conside that quite legal, as he bought his previous car thro the West Midlands Gas Bo and got a discount. Howe Mr Price said, Mr Alfred Pipeline's managing diret had not been able to obtain expected discount and so I the difference himself-beca £200 was such a trifling sun his company.

Mr Joy, aged 53, of Oak Drive, Welwyn Garden (still faces a charge of corru giving the reduction to Emmony. The case Emmony. The car adjourned until today.

Mr Milhench to appe

Ronald Milhench, who for Mr Wilson's signature, is appeal against the three jail sentence, imposed at ford Crown Court, his solicity said last night. Mr Milhence 1 appeal against the three Wolverhampton businessi admitted eight charges, inc

When you're looking for a change, look for Winston.

tribution of time, not of confined to a few privileged



Winston from Gallaher

MIDDLE TO HIGH TAR EVERY PACKET CARRIES A GOVERNMENT HEALTH WARNING

Mr Shore replies to Heath letter about EEC trade By Our Political Editor

In a written reply to Mr Heath yesterday, Mr Shore, Secretary of State for Trade, said: "You will agree that Britain's post-entry trade with the Common Market has, in the event, wholly belied the confident expectations of im-provement in our performance that you and other members of your Government advanced in our pre-entry debate and, in particular, in your White Paper of July, 1971."

Shore added that his main concern in the state-ments he had made on United Kingdom trade with the EEC had been to draw attention to the seriousness of the imbalance: "If you have any doubt on this score I would ask you to reflect upon the fact that on a balance of payments basis the EEC accounted for 96 per cent of our total non-oil deficit in the first nine months of this year."

Mr Heath, like other Conservatives, has been strongly challenging Mr Shore's accountancy of the balance of trade between the United Kingdom and the and some Conservatives hint that Mr Shore is disregard ing the advice of some of his civil servants on what that balance is.

In his reply last night, Mr Shore stated: "I am glad to see from your letter of December 16 that the figures relating to our trade deficit with the EEC are no longer in dispute between us; and that you now accept without qualification that these move from £131m on a balance of payments basis in 1971 to an annual rate of £1,668m in the first six months of 1974; and on a crude trade basis from £256m in 1971 to £1,951m at an annual rate in the

first half of 1974.

"As to the question why there should have been so lamentable a decline in our trade balance since we joined the EEC, I have been careful to avoid drawing any simple con-clusions. Clearly there are a number of factors at work.

Admiralty board | Night talks on quashes' Wren case conviction

A formal naval lieutenant who was severely reprimanded in August for assaulting and unlawfully imprisoning a Wren has had the conviction quashed. His sentence was annulled by the Admiralty Board of the Defence Council.

Lieutenant David John Wilkes, of Burton-in-Wirral, Cheshire, who has left the Navy, was serving in HMS Fisgard, a training establishment at Torpoint, Cornwall, when he was brought before a Devonger marrial port court martial.

The prosecution said that during a drinking evening the lieutenant struck Wren Karen Driver and dragged her away to prevent her from entering a flat.

A petition against conviction was submitted on the ground that the Judge Advocate, Commander David Clayton, wrongly advised that before the accused could rely on a defence provided by a section of the vided by a section of the Criminal Law Act 1967 the court had to decide that a crime was about to be committed.

The Judge Advocate was also said to have failed adequately or at all to advise the court: that it would have been a good defence that the accused used reasonable force in the honest belief that he was preventing crime, whether or not any crime was about to be committed.

Fleet Street pay dispute

night to try to resolve the pay dispute between national newspaper proprietors and the National Graphical Association, recessenting printing craftsmen. Both sides met officers of the Conciliation and Arbitration

Service, but after eight hours they had not come together. Lord Goodman, chairman of the Newspaper Publishers Association, joined the talks at 4.30 pm, but left after two hours saying he would return. Members of the NGA, using

guerrilla tactics, are disrupting the production of Fleet Street newspapers. The London Even-ing Standard lost 275,000 copies out of a normal run of 600,000 as a result of action yesterday. es a result of action yestern.
On Tuesday night production of
The Times and The Guardian

The way to a fresh attempt to resolve the dispute was opened on Tuesday by Mr Foot, Secretary of State for Employment, who met the union and the proprietors separately. Previous approaches to the Concili-ation Service and the TUC had proved unsuccessful. The NGA has rejected a 61 per cent pay offer because it would erode its traditional differentials over other unions. Five other unions have accepted the offer.

Tax plan to stop waste will be investigated

Taxarion aimed at stopping the throw-away society", Mr Oakes said. "Action must be taken by industry, local authorities and the housewife."

Mr Meacher, Under-secretary of State for Industry, said the council's first meeting of State for Industry, said the council second on waste disposed research and tigated by the Waste Management Advisory Council, which is sponsored by the Government.
After the council's first meeting. yesterday Mr Oakes, Parliamentary Under-secretary for the Environment, said they were acting with great urgency.

acting with great urgency.

First reports on the possible reuse and recycling of waste paper, oil and rubber tyres should be ready by March. Britain could save £500m a year, he said, by simple practical measures.

"We must turn our backs on "We must turn our backs on importing wood-pulp, he said.

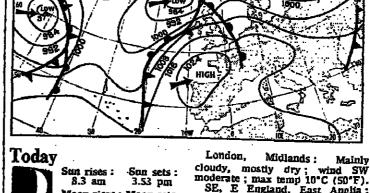
on waste disposal, research and the possibilities of using tax measures to prevent waste. Other committees would look at waste paper, waste oils, ferrous and non-ferrous metals, tyres,

plastics and packaging. Britain

each year spent £800m import-

ing ferrous metals and £1,000m

Weather forecast and recordings



8.3 am 3.53 pm

Moon rises: Moon sets:

10.48 am 10.14 pm

First Quarter: December 21.

Lighting up: 4.23 pm to 7.33 am.

High water: London Bridge,

4.48 am, 6.7m (22.0ft); 5.21 pm,

6.7m (22.0ft). Avonmosth,

10.14 am, 11.5m (37.8ft);

10.31 pm, 11.1m (36.3ft). Dover,

1.56 am, 6.4m (20.9ft): 2.20 pm,

6.0m (19.7ft). Hull, 9.25 am, 6.4m

(20.9ft); 9.13 pm, 6.7m (22.0ft).

Liverpool, 2.16 am, 7.5m (24.7ft);

2.29 pm, 7.9m (25.9ft).

A depression will move NE be-tween Scotland and iceland and troughs of low pressure will ad-vance E over the British Isles. Forecasts for 6 am to midnight

London, Midlands: Mainly cloudy, mostly dry; wind SW moderate; max temp 10°C (50°F). SE, E England, East Anglia: Mostly cloudy with drizzle at times early; wind SW moderate; max temp 9°C (48°F).

Central S, SW England, Channel Islands, Wales: Generally cloudy with drizzle at times; hill and some coastal fog patches; wind SW, fresh or strong, max temp 11°C (52°F).

NE, W, NW, central N England, Lake District, Isle of Man: Mostly cloudy with some rain at first, preceded by sleet or snow on hills, hill fog patches; wind SW, fresh or strong; max temp 10° (50°F).

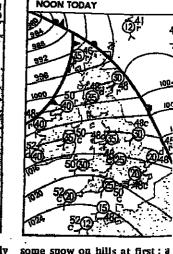
or strong; max temp 10° (50°F).
Borders, Edinburgh, E Scotland,
Aberdeen, central Highlands,
Moray Firth, Catthness: Mostly
cloudy, some rain early and late;

WEATHER REPORTS YESTERDAY MIDDAY: c, cloud; f, fair;

WEATHER REPORTS YESTERDAY MODEL

1, rain; s, sun; al, sleet; su, snow.

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Barcelona s 11 52 Edimburgh f 4 59 Longton
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bright intervals, wind S to moderate, becoming fresh; temp 8°C (46°F), Orkney, Shetland: Cloudy periods of rain: wind 5 vee 5W, fresh or strong; max t 8°C (46°F).

Outlook for tomorrow and urday: Becoming brighter showers in N and snow on I More general rain spreading 1 W later; temp near normal Sea passages: S North Sea, I lish Channel (E), Strait of Do Wind, SW fresh; sea moderate St George's Channel, Irish & Wind SW strong; sea rough.

Yesterday

London: Temp: max, 6 am 6 pm, 8°C, (46°F); min, 6 pm 6 pm, 8°C (46°F); min, 6 pm 6 am, 5°C (41°F). Humidity, 6 mil. Sun, 24 hr to 6 pm, 0.2

v Tim Devlin

ducation Correspondent A national policy under which cal education authorities ould give far more help to achers to find places to live likely to be worked out next onth by a joint working party teachers and their employers. The move follows recommenminer that local authorities tould help teachers in London bo were first-time buyers. arlier this month a survey by ie Assistant Masters Associaon blamed the lack of local thority help on housing as the of the main reasons for the igh rate of teacher turnover

the capital. This week further evidence om the National Union of eachers shows that hundreds teachers in country areas are eclining to take up jobs be-use of the difficulty of getting ouses. It also shows wide difrences in housing provision mong about forty authorities. Representatives of the Coun-I of Local Education Authories and of the teacher unions

100 per cent mortgages at fav-ourable rates In Buckinghamshire 112 teachers out of 160 who rejected posts last year did so because of the difficulty of finding a home. In Wiltshire one teacher in 10 applying for a job in the past year gave up because of housing difficulties. In Somerset 10 applications of the past year gave up because of housing difficulties. In Somerset 10 applicants out of 12 for a deputy headship dropped out and there were several cases of teachers leaving because they could not keep up mortgage repayments.

In Devon, despite a provision of £30,000 to pay removal expenses, teachers rejected jobs because they could not afford

The union's research shows that Birmingham, Manchester and some London boroughs offer teachers 100 per cent mortgages with low-start repayments. They also provide rented homes for teachers, and pay a proportion of removal expenses and a lodging or disturbance allowance. But other cities-Newcastle upon Tyne, Sheffield, and Liverpool, for exampleand county authorities-Leices re discussing the possibility of cershire, Avon, Lancashire and cal authorities giving teachers Derbyshire—offer no help at tershire, Avon, Lancashire and

Don urges end to five-year plans by universities

orrespondent

Universities sterday to drop their system
I five-year planning. Prossor William Wallace, presient of the Association of
niversity Teachers, said the
scal administrative cost was

association, which has 1,000 members, was reexaming the possibility of joining the Trades Union Congress. Speaking at the association's unual conference in Bath, he alled on the Government to ad a national discussion on ow universities' running costs ould be cut down.

Professor Wallace, a pro-ce-chancellor at the New niversity of Ulster at Coleiine, suggested that universies should collectively buy applies in bulk. They should stablish a national agency to uy books cheaper, set up a entral appointments agency, ad have priority funds to nprove refertories and cut tel bills by proper insulation. positive case could also be iade for integrating health, ousing, and sport services with the community. One of the biggest economies

lay in planning. He said: "There is no particular magic in the quinquennium with its over-imaginative bids and its no sacrosanct or meaning-llocations. The local allocations. administrative cost is heavy.

Food chief gets

Mr Garry Weston, chairman of Associated British Foods, is

to receive substantial damages

for articles in August, 1973, in

The Sun and the News of the

World about his views on rising

The damages, with costs, are to be paid by News of the World

Ltd, which publishes both newspapers, under agreed terms announced to Mr Justice Bristow

create ner own world. We can their her with that problem — it's impossible — but we can help her to overcome many of the restrictions of blindness and make her rely on her-self within society. How? With Sunshine Nursery Homes

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and Schools for bitted chiteran, renabilitation centres, training and employment schemes, Brailfe literature and music, a Talking Book Service and over 300 special aids for school, work, play and everyday life. We're doing all we can to

work, play and everyday life. We're doing all we can to prevent blindness too – by spending thousands of pounds each year on research.

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ROYAL NATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR THE BLIND

Why not turn a thought into a gift of money?

in the High Court yesterday.

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Even heavier is that of stopgos, freezes, moratoria, and delayed, reduced and upturned allocations."

The association was re-examining possible membership of the TUC at a time when that body was playing a greater part in decision making The result of those delibera-

tions could be crucially important to the future of the univer-

The association at its council meeting decided to challenge the government assumption that student targets for 1981 can be reduced from 750,000 to 640,000.

Mr Laurie Sapper, the association's general secretary, said:
"Nobody has taken account of
the increasing number of girls wanting university education or of the effect of the raising of the school-leaving age on appli-

But Mr David Bell, a lecturer at Glasgow University, accused the association of helping to get more students into the university some of whom should not be there. He called for a transfer to schools of resources achieved by cutting the rate of expansion in the university sector "so that the number of schoolchildren who do come to universities can benefit from the high level of skills and qualifications which we represent.". The association unanimously

decided to continue its campaign against cuts in university spend-

way contract said yesterday that the 4 per cent rise in price

between tender and completion

was unusually small. Freeman
Fox and Partners, who supervised building 12} miles of the
Cheltenham-Gloucester section

of the motorway, also promised

full cooperation at the inquiry ordered by the Department of the Environment.

in schools By Our Education

Correspondent
The Department of Education
and Science will discuss indisand Science will discuss indis-cipline in schools with local authority associations and teachers' unions early in the new year. They will look parti-cularly at the system of sus-pending troublesome pupils and the practice followed by a few authorities of servine we created authorities of setting up special units known as "sanctuaries" for pupils who disrupt the

lassroom.

The department is collating dossier on indiscipline culled a dossier on indiscipline culled from reports from its own inspectors of schools, research carried out by the National Foundation for Educational Research, the previous Conservative government, and the Association of Education Committees. The dossier will also include documents published recently by the National Union of Teachers and the National Association of Teachers and the National Association of the National Association and the National Association reports from its own in the National Association reports from its own in the National Research carried the National Association reports from its own in the National Research carried out by the National Research carried Teachers and the National Association of Schoolmasters.

Hitherto the departmen inder successive governments has been reluctant to admit that discipline in schools has deteriorated. It has always re-fused to intervene in matters that it considers to be more the concern of local authorities

the concern of local authorities and individual schools.

But that move has been prompted by a general unease expressed by teachers and parents that discipline has got worse. The department feels that it should no longer stand idly by but should be seen to take a lead in finding the best methods to counter indiscipline.

It has yet to be decided whether Mr Armstrong, under-secretary of state at the department and a former headmaster, will preside over a national

Universities back dons' pay claim

The Association of University Teachers, backed by the univer-Teachers, backed by the university authorities, has asked the Government for an 18 per cent salary rise across the board on top of the Phase Three settlement of 7 per cent it got last October. If granted it would add £20m to the £11m October Delegates at an AUT confer-

ence in Bath yesterday passed an emergency executive resolu-tion which said that if a satisfactory settlement could not be achieved the executive should attempt to reach a speedy agreement with the university authorities panel to go to arbitration.

If the Government accepted the claim in full it would mean that the present pay scale for a lecturer of £2,118-£4,896 would go up to between £2,499 and £5,778. The senior lecturer scale, at present £4,707 to £5,976, would rise to between £5,553 and £7,053. The average salary for a professor would rise from Pay Unit, 9 Poland Street, WIV 27,257 to £8,562.

Engineers defend motorway cost rise

The consulting engineers manded in the Commons last week in allegations of possible overcharging on an M5 motorway contract said vesterday that

for the work. She said her infor-

mation came from an engineer

mation came from an engineer involved in the project.

Freeman Fox said yesterday that the original contract price was £10.05m. The figure proved

to be £9.82m, and many claims

by the contractor to cover un-

£2 increase in



union activity took their case to the Commons yesterday. From left, Ann Sweetland, Jill Stewart and Elaine Carfrae (Diary, page 14).

Woman's 73-hour week for £4.08

By Raymond Perman

Exploitation of women home workers is exposed in a report published today. Some worked for a fraction of the statutory minimum pay. One worked a 73-hour week for f4.08 making leather networks. leather notecases.

The study by the Low Pay Unit covered 50 women doing jobs varying from hand-crochet-ing and knitting to assembling and packing ballpoint pens and fire extinguishers. Pay varied between £1 for 24 hours' work and £13.80 for 60 hours.

Women answering an appeal on the BBC radio programme The Jimmy Young Show des-cribed themselves as the for-gotten workers. None had been visited by a wages inspector.

Homework offered a chance to earn while looking after children or aged relatives. Some paid a lump sum for machinery, for example £65 for a knitting machine.

A third of the women col-lected, delivered or posted their work, spending 20p to 75p a week on stamps or fares. One making lampshades paid an eighth of her weekly earnings to have them delivered and col-

Arran sweaters were sold at £16.95. The woman who made them was paid £2. Lampshades, hand-made for 14p each were sold at 56p. Long dresses sold ar 56p. Long dresses, made for 75p, were sold at up to £7. Sweated Labour: A Study of

of 4 per cent on the original tender figure, which is unusually small on such a size of contract today", the statement said.

It complained that the two
MPs involved, Mrs Oppenheim
and Mr Phillip Whitehead,
Labour MP for Derby, North,
had criticized the company without seeking to investigate the

Fine for credit

£55,000 bill for parish after access suit defeat

A legal battle over right of A legal battle over right of way to a tiny village church at Iken, Suffolk, ended in the Court of Appeal in London yesterday with a second defeat for the church authorities. Although they face a £55,000 bill for costs they are still banned from access by vehicles to the front doors of their own

Iken Parochial Church Council sold the adjoining rectory but thought it retained rights of vehicle access. Mr Gabriel Clark, who bought the rectory, day High Court hearing last years, Mr Justice Megarry refused to order him to remove

The church council's appeal was dismissed yesterday. Àπ appeal to the House of Lords is being considered.

After the decision Mr R. W. Fisher, a churchwarden, said: The case was brought not only on behalf of present parishioners but future genera-

Murder remand

A boy, aged 16, was remanded in custody until Monday at Liverpool Juvenile Court yesterday, charged with the murder of Miss Helen Nimmo Bryce, aged 81, of Dorchester Park, Netherby, Liverpool.

tions who would not wish to accept the present absurd position." The church autho-rities' legal costs had been guaranteed by a member of the church council.

The church authorities had brought the action against Mr Clark after his refusal to allow access to builders' lorries. In the appeal judgment, Sir John Pennycuick said the action

concerned a 30-yard strip of land which the church council claimed was a right of way for all purposes. Mr Clark argued that it was a right of way on foot only. For years the church authorities and Mr Clark bad lived in

emity but disputes arose, cul-minating in certain incidents in 1971. No serious difficulty arose in carrying a coffin over the short stretch of land and no point arose about weddings.

Mr Clark said after the hearing that his offer to allow heavy vehicles access to the church by an alternative route was still open, as it had been since 1970.

£35,000 stolen

Two raiders yesterday escaped with £35,000 in cash when they rammed a stolen van imo the side of a car carrying the Christ-mas taking of a Co-operative society store at Long Eaton,

Man who put wife in freezer gets 10 years

A husband sentenced to 10 years' imprisonment at the Central Criminal Court yesterday for killing his wife and hiding her body in their deep freezer told medical experts that he had tried to combat her infidelity by lavish entertainment from the proceeds of armed bank raids. armed bank raids.

That was stated by Mr Justice

Thesiger when the jury unanimously found Brian Fairbairn, aged 36, a former butcher and builder, of Sparrow Farm Drive, Feltham, Middlesex, not Drive, Feltham, Middlesex, not guilty of murdering his wife, Denise Anne, aged 28, but guilty of her manslaughter.

Mrs Fairbairn had been stabbed in the back and straugled. She was found by her parents in the freezer at her home when they searched it after she failed to visit them.

her bome when they searched it after she failed to visit them with some promised shopping Mr Fairbairn, who fled to Spain, told the police that he killed her in a fit of jealousy after she had taunted him over her affairs with other men.

The judge, looking at a medical report, said: "Not for the first time at these sessions, information given to the information given to the medical officer and consultant

psychiatrist appears to conflict with evidence given by the accused in court. " He claims the marriage was not too lovable at first but that their relationship had been improving until he discovered her recent infidelity and embarked on a period of exces-sive spending and lavish entertainment, trying to complement his earnings with a series of

bank hold-ups using an imitation gun. This is quite different to his evidence in There was also a conflict

between the evidence and the report about how often Mr Fairbairn had struck his wife the judge said. Det Chief Supt Declan Hurley said Mr Fairbairn had previous convictions for factory-breaking

convictions for factory-oreasing thefis, possessing an offensive weapon, larceny, receiving stolen goods, and fraudulent conversion. His last cour appearance was at the Central Criminal Court in November 1970, when he was given a two year sentence, suspended for three years, for fraudulent con

The judge told Mr Fairbairn that there appeared to be some ground for reticence over his that on May 9 he put a knife in his wife's back until it hit the spine, then strangled her.

Mrs Fairbairn's parents, he said, clearly tried to save the marriage, probably for the sake

of the four children, and the wife, too, tried to cover up wha Mr Fairbairn had goaded he into by jealousy. "I think she was goaded into the provocation she gave you", the judge said "Having killed the mother of

your four children and put the body in the freezer to be dis covered by her unfortunate parents, you went abroad under a false name. One has to regard that conduct in contraswith a case where real remorse has been shown after provoca

Patient's death a lesson to hoaxers, coroner says From Our Correspondent made only 12 hours after the

A hoax bomb call to a hospital, which led to the removal of more than 400 patients, hastened the death of a dying woman, it was stated at an inquest at Northampton yester-

Rodney Utting, aged 32, father of seven children, is alleged to have told the police in a statement: "I did it to stir up trouble at the hospital, to get back at them for my vasectomy, which went wrong in January,

1973." His youngest daughter was born in October.

Evidence was given that Mrs Clarice Bailey, of Farnworth Close, Duston, Northamptonshire died of pneumonia a few minutes after being moved in her bed from the intensive care unit at Northampton General Hospital to the hospital car park on November 22. The hoax telephone call was

Birmingham public house bomb ings in which 20 people died.

Mr Michael Collcutt, the coroner, said that although he death was a direct result of the

enough evidence to charge any one with manslaughter. He recorded a verdict of death by misadventure, adding: "I hope this case will serve as a warning to all would-be home callers." callers.

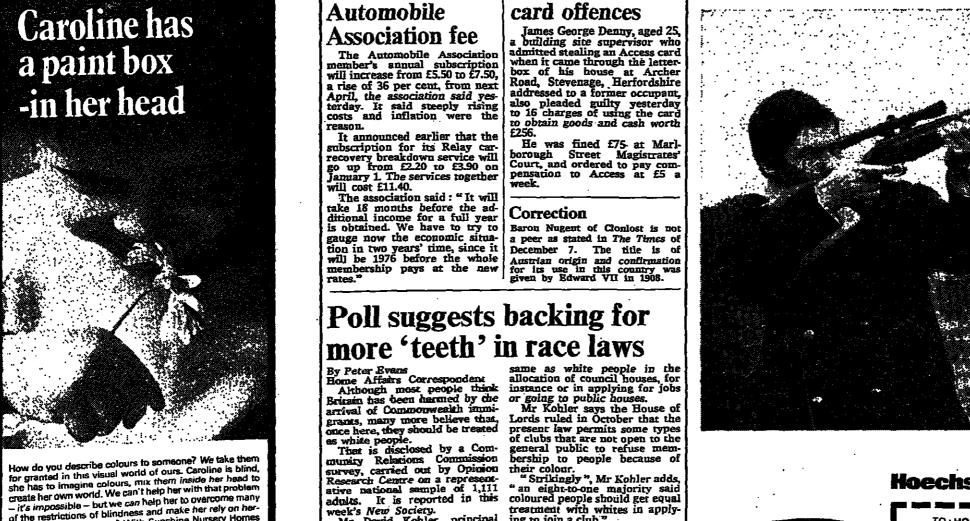
A police officer said that M A police officer said that M. Utring, of Kenmuir Crescent Northampton, had admitted telephoning: "There is a boming in the hospital going off in 2 minutes." There were 60 patients, 300 outpatients and 2,000 staff on the premises.

Mr Utting was brought from Bedford prison, where he is it custody on charges of making a malicious telephone call, an a malicious telephone call, an

using threatening words.

He accepted the coroner advice not to give evidence.

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expected difficulties amounted charges made with any of the to about £620,000 more, making parties concerned.

adults. It is reported in this week's New Society.
Mr David Kohler, principal

reference officer at the com-mission, sees in the poll wider backing then pessimists might assume for the intention of Mr Jenkins, the Home Secretary, to give more "teeth" to legis-lation against racial discrimina-

"Although the majority of the British public may not have welcomed the arrival of newer minorities, the survey suggests that they generally accept them now they are here." A majority thought coloured Neverth people should be treated the did so."

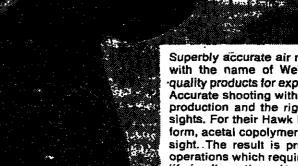
ing to join a club".

The survey also asked: "Do you think the law should be

changed so as to make it illegal for these clubs to refuse mem-bership to people because of their colour?" Half the respondents thought the law should be changed, 37 per cent said it should not, and

13 per cent did not know.

Mr Kohler adds: "Clearly some people were unwilling to for a positive change in the law. Nevertheless half the sample



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Moves for by-election may begin soon in Mr Stonehouse's seat

a month ago in Miami, has of presumed death through raised an interesting constituenemy action as well as the tional point for the authorities cases of members presumed of the House of Commons.

Mr Stonehouse's constituency, where he has a 15,885 majority, is being looked after by neighbouring MPs, but it is clear that Walsall, North, Labour Party is not happy about that, Mr Walter Brown, assistant national agent at Transport House, is to meet constituency officials on January 3 to discuss what action to take. In view of Labour's small overall majority, they may be advised to begin preparations for a by-election. Mr Harry Richards, Mr Stone-

house's agent, said yesterday: "I think the party here would prefer some definite advice. Either they will tell us to go ahead, or hold on a bit longer, but at least something definite will, we hope, be said."

Before a writ can be issued the Speaker must have announced the death of the MP in the Commons, if it is sitting, or in The London Gazette if

The Speaker's advisers have to decide whether to act on precedent or to formulate a new procedure. As the Speaker usually acts on precedent, they will have to go back 33 years to the last war, when a procedure was devised to decide whether writs should be issued to fill seats left by MPs presumed dead. In February,

Speaker announced that the to get another MP for Walsall, House should have a more direct responsibility for deterthat it must have any effect on mining when a vacancy through anyone else.

The average British chicken

laid fewer eggs this year than in 1973, the Ministry of Agriculture said yesterday. Although the individual decline was small it was equivalent to a national

reduction of 300 million eggs.

Farmers said that rising costs had led to three factors tending

By Our Agricultural

The disappearance of Mr arisen. Any scheme of proce-John Stonehouse, aged 49, dure should be comprehensive Labour MP for Walsall, North, enough to include other cases killed on active service. He

> I propose to secure the assistance of a panel of advisers, consisting of members representative of the various sections of opinion in the

> When the presumed death of a member through any form of enember action has been notified to me, I will, at my discretion, consult two members of the panel, and, if it is found necessary, inquire into the evidence on which presumption of death is based-If satisfied, I will announce the presumed death of a member to the House, according to my usual

practice.

I propose that a period of a week should then be allowed to elapse, during which it would be open to any member of the House to address a request to me for further information. After the expiration of a week, it would be permissible

That procedure was adopted in the case of Colonel James Baldwin-Webb, MP for the Wrekin, who was in a liner bound for Canada when it was torpedoed in September, 1940. His presumed death was announced in the Commons by the Speaker the following July. If the Commons decides on a

by-election, by whatever proce-dure is agreed, it does not follow that that would have to be accepted as proof of Mr Stonehouse's death.

A constitutional expert said:
"It is for the House to decide
to get another MP for Walsall,

farmers were keeping more

hens for a second year to reduce rearing costs, chickens lay fewer eggs in their second

Second, costs of raw materials

had slightly reduced the quality of some poultry-feeds, and, third, some farmers were find-ing it more economical to use

cheap feeds, which lowered egg

Rising costs reduce egg production

Stonehouse phone-tap ordered by Mr Wilson

By Christopher Walker

During autumn, 1969, Wilson gave instructions for the telephone of Mr John Stonehouse, then Minister of Posts and Telecommunications, to be tapped, and for him to be "screened" thoroughly by security services.

That explains Mr Wilson's statement to the Commons on Tuesday that the allegations against Mr Stonehouse, Labour MP for Walsall, North, who has been missing in America for a month, were fully investigated by the security service.
Last night Downing Street refused to say how long the screening operation took before Mr Stonehouse was confronted with allegations made about him by Major Josef Frolik, the Czechoslovak intelligence ser-vice defector. "It is not our practice to discuss the work-ings of the security service," I

mas told.

The allegations, made by Major Frolik during debriefing by the American Central Intelligence Agency, referred to Mr Stonehouse's activities in an arrier part of the 1960s. earlier part of the 1960s. At the time he was under scrutiny he gave no evidence to the security services to substantiate any of the allegations. These in the main concerned his involvement in a spy ring financed by the Czechoslovak Government. Downing Street last night also refused details of whether

Mr Stonehouse had ben cleared by the security services when he was confronted with the allegations made by Major Frolik. The British authorities had regarded highly much of the information provided by Major

There had been heavy losses

The ministry said the average yield of a battery hen was 232 eggs in the year ended September, 1974 compared with 239 in the previous 12 months.

Comparable figures for free-range bens were 173 and 181. There has also been a con-tinuing increase in broiler-

rearing. Fewer than a twentieth of the hens kept for egg-laying

are now free-ranging. Almost nine tenths of all egg-laying

chickens are now broiler-reared.

homes get

protection

£85,000 fire

stalled immediately in all Not-

tinghamshire County Council's

24 old people's homes, the council announced yesterday.

the fire at a home at Edwalton, near Nottingham, last Sunday. Precautions include fire and

smoke barriers in all the homes and smoke protection systems

in the 12 one-storey homes similar to the Fairfield Home.

An inquest on the 16 women and two mes who died in the

fire opens in Nottingham today.

MP resigns from

Sir Anthony Meyer, Conserva-tive MP for Flint West, said yesterday that he had resigned

from the Bow Group because of editorial criticism of Mr Heath.

entorial crincism of Mr Heath.
In a letter to the group, Sir
Anthony said the leading article
in Crossbow calling on Mr Heath
to quit "constitutes a direct
attack by the group on Mr
Heath's leadership".

Explosion trial

nears conclusion

A jury at Oxford Crown Court will be asked to

Bow Group

Eighteen old people died in

earlier this year.



Mr Joseph Gormley, president of the National Union of Mineworkers, with Lord Shinwell during a House of Commons reception yesterday.

Cash change delays oil survey

Science Correspondent

gations in the North Sea are being delayed because of changes in the support of research and development from government funds. The issues are raised in the annual report the Natural Environment Council published today.

They are particularly con-cerned about the survey of the United Kingdom continental shelf carried out by the council's Institute of Geological Science. The survey was started in 1969, after discussions with ministers, at a cost of about £1.75m a year. The object is to investigate by shallow drilling the geophysical survey the structure, properties, and resources of the shelf. A small, but not unimportant, application is to discover and assess bulk minerals (sand and gravel) and high-value non-

programme concerns exploita-Important geological investition of the hydrocarbon resources of the shelf. Although in the first year or so the institute was able to pioneer the exploration in certain areas, such as in Cardigan Bay, prospecting for oil and gas is elsewhere almost entirely the role of the companies.

The primary contribution to hydrocarbon exploitation is proving to be more one of understanding the charac-teristics of the seabed for the siting, stability and safety of all rigs and pipelines. A far beter knowledge of the geology of the upper layers of the ocean floor is essential. As exploration moves into deeper and more exposed waters, accurate information will be even more necessary about the geotechnical properties of the bed.

Difficulties have come with the transfer of research support

Under the system the customer is a government department, and the contractor is the research council, university department, commercial re-search organization, or other institution that might do the work. The contractor is found through the particular research requirement board, set up to monitor that field of activity. About 85 per cent of the

funds for the continental shelf programme were initially transferred to the Chemical and Minerals Board of the former Department of Trade and Industry. Arrangements have now been made to bring the programme to the attention of the Shipping and Marine Technology Requirements Board, But, according to the report, the real solution would seem to be to place the main responsibility for the future of the pro-gramme with the Department of Energy.

to cut number of top jobs From a Staff Reporter

Glasgow
In reply to criticism that the salaries to be paid by the new Strathclyde regional council are too high, Mr Geoffrey Shaw, convener of the council, said yesterday that when the authority comes into power in May £170,000 a year will be sawed in the salaries of senior staff. He told a press conference in Glasgow that the council would have 32 fewer senior officials than are employed by the present authorities in the region. "While I am not suggesting that similar economies can be achieved right across the board, it is an indication of the way the regional council is

attempting to keep costs down to the minimum", he said. The savings would be made

ministrative officials.

Mr Shaw said it was unfortunate that the new authority would be taking over as Britain entered an economic crisis. For the next year at least the policy would be one of retrenchment rather than expansion. He did not believe that the public would want services to be expanded at the cost of greatly

ncreased rates. Recruitment of staff would be kept to a minimum and Dr Lawrence Boyle, the council's chief executive, had told the director of manpower services and the head of management services to scrutinize carefully all staffing proposals.

By George Clark

The clash over arms spending which resulted in 54 compromise. He proposed set Labour backbenchers voting a delegation to Mr Mass compromise. He proposed sering a delegation to Mr Mass Secretary for Defence, to the figures straight.

Mr Foot calls truce

to get defence facts

mons on Monday had its sequel at yesterday's meeting of Labour's national executive.

Neither Mr Wilson, an ex-officio member, nor Mr Mellish,

That the national executive com-mittee, disturbed by the fact that there is to be an increase in arms

spending in both real and cash terms, asks the Government to

Apparently Mr Allaun, one of the leaders of the rebellion in

the Commons, repeated his

familiar argument that in terms

of pounds and pence the spend-ing would rise from this year's

estimated £3,660m to more than £8,000m a year in five years' time if the present rate of infla-

Calling attention to the Labour manifesto statement on arms, he said the Government's programme

programme committed the United Kingdom for the next

10 years to spend a higher proportion of the gross national

product on defence than any of Britain's chief Western allies.

related to present spending. Mr Allaun and other left-wingers on the executive, how-

ever, argued that he was ignor-

tion continued.

introduce substantial reductions.

against the Government's defence programme in the Com-That was agreed, the moti being allowed to "lie on t table" until next month's me The deputation to Mr Mas the Government Chief Whip, was present when Mr Allaun, MP for Salford, East, seconded by Miss Maynard (Sheffield, Brightside), another left-winger, moved:

will consist of Mr Allaun; John Forrester, of the engine ing workers' technical a supervisory section; Mr Jo Chalmers, of the boilermake union; Mr Mikardo, MP, i Tower Hamlets and Bethi Green; Mr Kitson, of Scottish motormen's union, l Tom Bradley, of the Transportation; a Mr Hayward, party gene

secretary.

A motion put forward by M Maynard, backed by Mr Allan expressed perturbation abo the Prime Minister's stateme in Paris on December 7 whi opened up the possibility it he might make a recomment tion to the British people EEC membership. That, t motion said, was contrary the executive's decision in Ju to hold a party conference the outcome of the renegot

in the debate, Mr Haywa supported the manifesto co mitment that the people decision would be binding the Government. When the ve dict was given both pro-Eur pean and anti-European shou be prepared to accept the ve dict of the people.

Mr Callaghan, Foreign and Commonwealth Secretary, said there would be real defence cuts of £300m next year, £500m in three years, time and £750m in six years, his figures being Eventually it was decided : let the motion lie on the tabl Mr Hayward will see Mr Wilso to make arrangements for a tw-day conference, probably in the ing future inflation. day con Mr Michael Foot, Secretary spring.

New council | University and firm in joint drug project

From Ronald Faux Edinburgh

A £7m research centre for the commercial development of nev drug and medical treatments is to be built at Heriot-Wat University, Edinburgh Th-centre was claimed yesterday to be the first of its kind in Britain to bring together so closely university and a commercia pharmaceutical company.

It will occupy six acres of the university's research park a Riccarton, Midlothian, and employ 50 people, many of thez

graduates.
The company involved is Syntex Pharmaceuticals Ltd, the British subsidiary of Inter-national Syntex Corporation sciences has had particular suc-

cess in the area of arthritic-The first phase of the development, costing £1m, will start work in 1976. One of the first research projects will be aimed

at heart diseases. Dr George . Christie, managing director of the new centre, said clinical trials of new products developed would be carried out in hospitals in central Scotland. The products would be marketed first in

The university said its scheme to turn 20 acres of the Riccarton campus into a research park had met with general hostility when it was first announced. It now seemed that the original plan had been too cautious

errious ores in the upper layers of the seabed. About a tenth of the costs go for that work. under the new system of the Old people's Mr Wilson declines to

intercede for pickets By Our Labour Staff
A combined delegation from Construction, Allied Trades and the TUC and the National Technicians, saw the Prime

Executive committee of the Minister. Fire safety systems costing sociation of British Professional Divers in Birmingham talled immediately in all Notinghamshire County Coun Shrewsbury pickets in time for Eric Tomlinson and Dennis Warren were jailed for three

years and two years respectively after being found guilty of conspiracy, unlawful assembly and causing an affray while picket-ing building sites in Shropshire during the 1972 national building strike. Earlier this mouth they were refused leave to appeal to the House of Lords. Yesterday a team from the TUC, led by Mr Len Murray, general secretary, and including Mr Jack Jones, general secre-tary of the Transport and General Workers' Union, Mr David Basnett, general secretary of the General and Municipal Workers' Union, Mr Kenneth Gill, general secretary of the Technical and Supervisory Section of the Amalgamated Union if Governments were of Engineering Workers, and the merits of cases

spiracy laws in the case. Mr Wilson told them that the exercise of the prerogative was not his responsibility and that he did not think it was a matter to be considered by the Cabinet. Under pressure from the TUC delegation, Mr Wilson said he would notify Mr Jenkins of the meeting but make no recommendation.

Our Political Staff writes: The Home Secretary last night rejected demands at a meeting of the Parliamentary Labour Party that he should exercise his prerogative to release the pickets. It was a fundamental principle of our system of justice, he said, that the decision in individual cases was a matter for the courts. The rule of law and the independence of the courts would be seriously undermined if Governments were to rejudge

Lack of copies of new rules frustrate divers From Arthur Osman

Birmingham

The conference of the new of government safety regulations due to printing difficulties.

Several hours of discussion about better training and safety for divers working in the North Sea oilfields were generally inconclusive, although closely argued. The 40 or so divers present were said to represent the whole British diving contingent in the oilfields.

Mr Harold Cox, association administrative director, a former Royal Navy petty officer, said that Commander Jack Warner, one of the speakers, the only diving inspector in the Department of Energy, had had to fly to Orkney to investigate the death on Tuesday of a diver. The conference expressed concern about the growing number of inexperienced divers in the North Sea, attracted by

Reform of laws on prostitution, morals and vagrancy urged By Marcel Berlins

Legal Correspondent

Proposals for a thorough reform of the laws on prostitution, morels and vagrancy are made in two working papers published yesterday.

some new specific crime

The two reports, which contain the provisional views of

the two bodies, are published together by design.
The Home Office working

party says that all the evidence

it has obtained suggests that the activities of kerb crawlers

(men who accost women from

cars) are causing considerable

nuisance and sometimes dis-tress, especially in big cities.

It proposes that not only

kerb crawlers themselves should be liable to a fine or

three months' imprisonment

under the proposed law, but

accost a woman or women in a

public place for the purpose of

making sexual advances. But

Offences of soliciting, the

who persistently

men

will be asked to consider ver-dicts today in the case of four young men who have pleaded A Home Office working party, making the first study of crimes linked to soliciting since the Act of 1959 which forced prostitution from the not guilty to charges including recklessly endangering life by planting explosives.

The defendants are Michael Peter Skelding, Andrew Grainger, Roger Randall Moore and Dermot Brian Dobson streets, suggests that there is need for a new law against male "kerb crawlers".

The Law Commission recom-mends the abolition of the con-18 pc pay rise in troversial offence of conspiracy to corrupt public morals, but water service to plug the gaps left by the scrapping of that and other common law offences proposes

A wage seatlement, bringing rises of £4 a week was agreed yesterday for the 35,800 manual water service employees in England and Wales. The figures ensure that low-paid workers will receive at

Ferry reprieved

least £30 a week.

British Rail is postponing the proposed closure of the Hey-sham-Belfast car and passenger ferry service from February 1 to April 6, after recommendations by the area transport users' consultative committee.

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policemen before being charged with an offence in the courts

Howard League, are likely to be disappointed, however, that the working party feels there is still previous conviction for solicit-

The Law Commission also deals with one aspect of prosti-tution, the euphemistically couched advertisements shopkeepers windows. It feels the display of those advertisements should not be an offence. But if a shopkeeper was shown to be making exorbitant profits (there was evidence that some were charging up to £40 a week for showing a small card) they

Commission's proposals is that most cases charged as conspiracy to corrupt public morals could be dealt with by the existing statutory law. The use of the conspiracy offence has been criticized on the ground that it related to conduct which would not be a criminal offence if done individually and because it was said that judges were in fact creating new law based on their own ideas of morality.

Other common law offences in the area of morals should

also be abolished, the Law Commission suggests, including conspiracy to outrage public decency, indecent exposure, keeping a disorderly house, obscene libel, and conspiracy to

Together with the Home Office working party, it pro-poses instead a series of specific

tals in circumstances likely to cause offence, and having sexual intercourse or performing other overt sexual behaviour in a place where it can be seen and cause offence.

The Home Office working party also calls for a newly defined offence to deal with the public exhibition of indecent material, in circumstances where it is forced on the public. It makes clear, however, that it is not suggesting any further re-strictions on what individuals may wish to see.

The Obscene Publications Act should bring within its opera-tion all exhibitions of films on unlicensed premises which ought to be licensed. At present they are subject to censorship neither by the British Board of Film Censors nor the Act.

Live sex shows should be dealt with on the same basis as the obscene performance of a play, which is governed by the Theatres Act, the Law Commission proposes.

The Home Office working paper makes proposals over-hauling and modernizing the laws on vagrancy, many of which date back 150 years. It proposes offences in line with conditions today to replace the old crimes of begging, being found on enclosed premises and being a suspected person.
It also recommends the crea-

tion of an offence of causing a nuisance by sleeping rough. But the crimes of fortune-telling and operating as a pedlar without a licence should be repealed, it says, as should the distinctions under an Act of 1824 between idle and disorderly persons, rogues and vagabonds, and incorrigible rogues.

The Law Commission. Working Paper No 57. Conspiracies Relating to Mords and Decancy. Stationery Office, 75p. Home Office Working Party on Vagrancy and Street Officnes Working Paper, Stationery Office £1.22.

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to reduce egg-laying.

Mr Denis Wellstead, of the poultry department of the snow just about breaking even Farmers' Union or seeing a copper or two's First, he said, profit", Mr Wellstead said. dignity rather than charity says Colin Morris

The test of a truly civilised society is how it treats those least able to defend themselves in the rat race, especially the aged. This world is better than it might of life, dignity rather than charity and a place of

have been because they have made it so. At the very least they have earned peace after the struggles honour amongst us - precisely the things Methodist Homes for the Aged gives them. This magnificent, embodiment of the Christian faith in action (and what other kind counts in the end?) could help many more if only we would pay off a fraction of the undischargeable debt we owe to generations who have left us so rich an inheritance. I believe that when the history is written of the British Churches in the 20th Century, Methodist Homes for the Aged will rank as one of its greatest and lasting achievements which is no cause for complacency, but humility, gratitude and generosity. If you can't give for Christ's sake, then give anyway as a token of respect and affection for someone who holds a hallowed place in your memory and helped to shape your future."

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working party suggests, need not be greatly reformed as the Street Offences Act, 1959, is substantially meeting the objectives envisaged for it. It also says that the system by which alleged prostitutes are first cautioned for soliciting on two separate occasions by

should be retained. Penal reformers, such as the

a need for possible sentences of imprisonment for soliciting, even though it suggests that imprisonment (up to a maximum of three months) should only be improved the state of the sentences of t only be imposed where the woman has more than one

should be prosecuted for living off immoral earnings. The main theme of the Law

the report makes clear that the offence would not apply to ordinary "chatting up" of debauch

statutory crimes. Among them are the exposure of male geni-

WEST EUROPE______ Three shot dead in hunt for outlawed **Basque separatists**

rom Our Correspondent Aadrid, Dec 18

The hunt for Basque activists esulted in three killings in one ight and bombs wrecking shops ight and combs wrecking shops
three Basque towns, according to reports in Madrid today.
At Mondragon, near Bilbao, nknown people in a car rachine gunned two civil guards death at a roadblock last ight when the police tried to the car in a search for all the car in a search for lembers of the outlawed sparatist organization ETA Basque Homeland and Liberty). At another roadblock four

nles from San Sebastian, the olice opened fire on a car early day, killing a young man with o apparent connexion with the TA and injuring the driver of nother car that had aiready

opped. Early yesterday, within about ae hour, bombs exploded in ree shops: in San Sebastian, londragon and Tolosa. No juries were reported.

There was reason to suspect at at least one of these ex-losions was not the work of the TA, as the shop in Tolosa osed last Wednesday in symathy with the underground ill for a general strike. It had so prominently displayed a ster demanding an amnesty r political prisoners. In Alava the police arrested

vo suspected Basque terrorists, oth of whom had been legedly driving stolen cars aded with arms and explo-

In Sestao, pupils at a state thool were given early Christias holidays after an anonyous caller said that a bomb ad been planted there. No

or six

nation-wide hunger strike by political prisoners to support an amnesty call. Six are being fed intravenously but the others have refused such treatment. The strike goes on in 10

prisons involving more than 150 political prisoners, most of them Basques.

The polarization of political forces seemed more obvious in Madrid today. Right-wing organizations prepared demonstrations for Friday, the first anniversary of the assassination of Admiral Luis Carrero Blanco, the Prime Minister. A number of moderate political figures made it clear today that they did not intend to accept the redid not intend to accept the re-gime's offer to form restricted

political associations.

The offer, expected to come into force before the new year, allows Spaniards to form political organizations only within the framework of the Falange-based National Movement.

National Movement.

The Government has banned lectures by Señor Joaquin Ruiz Giminez, a Christian Democrat and former Education Minister, and Señor Garrigues Walker, a moderately liberal businessman, at a Madrid school of business administration. Their "subversive" subject was to have been: "The post-concilia Church and business." Church and business ".
The Barcelona news magazine,

Mundo, has chosen Señor Pio Cabanillas, the recently ousted liberal Minister of Information and Tourism, as "Spaniard of the year" and Señor Mario Soares, the Socialist Foreign Minister of Portugal as "world Minister of Portugal, as "world man of the year". Neither was present in Barcelona to receive

the awards.

Both Señor Ruiz Gimenez and Senor Cabanillas had indicated Twelve political prisoners in tions that they did not intend to try to form political associations under the terms of the proposed law.

- 2 years' jail West Berlin to negotiate with E Germany ank robberies From Our Correspondent

om Our Correspondent erlin, Dec 18 Berlin, Dec 18

Frau Ingrid Siepmann aged 4 was sentenced to 12 years' prisonment by a West Berlin The West Berlin Senate today, informed the East German Government that it was prepared urt today on six charges of to negotiate on proposals made ink robbery and of unathorized by East Germany last week. ssession of arms.

The proposals include speed-Her codefendant Frau Anne-The proposals include speeding up and improvement of traffic between Berlin and West Germany by rail, road and water, economic cooperation and se Reiche, aged 25, was given seven-year term for taking The court found that Frau the offer of electric power for iepmann, together with other iembers of a politically moti-ated group, had stolen more

the city. The Bonn Government yesterday agreed to negotiate on the East Germany proposals.

Triumph for M Chirac in censure debate

From Our Own Corresponded at Paris, Dec 18

The motion of censure against the Government's policy, the first since it came to power, was lost early today by a wide margin, as expected. Only the Communists, Socialists, and Left-wing Radicals—183 all told—voted for it. It needed an absolute majority of 246 votes to bring down the Government. There is only one recorded case of this having happened under the Fifth Republic. In 1962 M Georges Pompidou, then Prime Minister, was voted out of office over the question of the Constitutional referendum to institute the direct election of the President of the Republic by universal suffrage.

The present debate and vote was intended by the Socialists

The present debate and vote was intended by the Socialists to smooth over their running differences with the Commundations. differences with the Communists by a demonstration of the unity of the left. It failed in its object. On the other hand, it gave M Chirac, the Prime Minister, a chance to consolidate his hold over the Gaullist party, of which he became the leader on Sunday, and over the Govern-

ment majority. He used the debate skilfully and effectively to demonstrate the majority's cohesion and to defend the economic and social policy of the first six months of his Government's action.

He also used it to point to the divisions of the left, and its

desperate clinging to the common programme of 1972—" an immurable and congealed immurable and congealed bible" he called it. "Perhaps, in trying to adapt it, you are afraid of bringing into question the agreement which binds you", he taunted.

His forcefulness and self-assurance overcame the hesitations and misgivings in Gaullist ranks, which only two days before had been seething with criticism of the shock tactics by which he was elected secretarygeneral of the party. He rallied them in opposition to the com-mon enemy of the left, which indulged merely in destructive criticism instead of playing a constructive part in the work of government and the battle

against the crisis.

His speech, of more than an hour, drew added strength from the fact that he was able to demonstrate that this battle was being won by giving his troops two items of good news, on the price and foreign trade fronts.

who ordered the arrests both of General Vito Miceli, former head of the Secret Service, and In November, French foreign trade was almost balanced, trade was almost balanced, after baving chalked up a deficit of 1,489m franc (£135m) in October, and the rise in prices would probably fall to less than 1 per cent for November M Norbert Segard, the State Secretary for Foreign Trade, commenting on the first set of figures, said too much importance should not be attached to the results of one month. General Ugo Ricci, a leading officer in the general staff and formerly commander of an armoured regiment. He has also issued a warrant for the arrest of General Francesco Nardella, Cape Verde Islands to get

Rome, Dec 18 Fears are being expressed

about the consequences if responsibility for inquiries into

right-wing plotting is transfer-

red from the Padua judiciary

to Rome.

The decision rests with the Court of Cassation which has still not pronounced officially.

But there is a widespread feel-

ing that inquiries into the most

serious allegations will be con-centrated in Rome.

According to reports from Padua, the change will be made shortly before Dr Giovanni

Tamburino, the Padua investi-

gating judge, will be in a position to throw light on the

so far unknown organizers of

right-wing conspiracies.
Dr Tamburino was the judge

Lisbon, Dec 18.—Portugal will

grant independence to the Cape

Verde Islands on July 5 next

year, Dr Antonio de Almeida

Santos, the Overseas Territories

Minister, announced in Lisbon

today. He said elections for a

constituent assembly would be

held on June 30, and a transi-

The minister was speaking at

a ceremony in which the Portu-

Verde Islands, off West Africa, and the islands of Sao Tomé and

Principe, on the equator, had

their titles changed to High

Dr Almeida Sautos said the transitional government would

have five ministers named by

the African Party for the Independence of Guinea and the Cape Verde Islands (PAIGC)—the ruling party in the West African state of Guinea-Bissau.

Article 1 of the constitution of Guinea-Bissau (formerly Portu-guese Guinea) calls for political union with the Cape Verde

The constituent assembly would have the task of preparing a constitution for the new state, Dr Almeida Santos said. President Costa Gomes, or a

representative delegated by him, would transfer powers to the president of the constituent

assembly in a ceremony at the Cape Verde Islands capital of

Cidade da Praia on July 5.

would rule until then.

Commissioner.

independence next year

Concern over Italian plot inquiry The fears expressed in Padua are that the transfer to Rome of these inquiries will seriously hold up the pace of the investigation.

> is the case of Signor Pietro Valpreda, the anarchist accused of the Milan bombings of December, 1969, which marked the beginning of systematic right-wing political terrorism.
>
> He was beginning to systematic ture of the extreme right-wing organizations. He was brought from Milan

to Rome. Responsibility was later returned to Milan and was then transferred to Catanzaro. A group of right-wing extremists has since been arrested for the same crime and Signor Valpreda, five years later, is still awaiting trial.

Another element in the distrust of Rome arises from the Milan inquiries. A neo-fascist who was arrested is acknowledged to have worked for the Secret Service, and the magistrate who ordered the arrest property of the righthas suggested that the right-wing plotters are regarded with some degree of sympathy by both the Secret Service and the

He was meeting Dr Jonas Savimbi, chairman of the National Union for the Total Independence of Angola (UNITA), and Dr Agostinho Neto, chairman of the Popular Movement for the Liberation of Angola (MPIA)

Angola (MPLA).
It was the first time that two

liberation movement leaders had held joint talks with Portu-

guese officials on Angolan soil.

The meeting has increased speculation among observers here that the three Angolan liberation movements—the third is the National Front for the

Liberation of Angola (FNLA)-

shortly will achieve a common front leading to the establish-

ment of a transitional govern

Portugal is seeking a summit conference with the three libera-

tion movement leaders to fix the composition of the transitional government, and to decide on further steps leading

decide on further steps leading to independence.—Reuter.

Jose Shercliff writes from Lisbon: At the investiture in Lisbon today of Commodore Almeida d'Eça, the new High Commissioner of the Cape Verde Islands, who has been governor, President Costa Gomes emphasized that he would have to face up to deli-

Gomes emphasized that he would have to face up to delicate problems and to "economic and social conditions which have been aggravated by drought." For six years now the islands have suffered drought, and been sustained largely by subsidies from the Portuguese Government.

Government.
The investiture of the High

ment.

old up the pace of the right could, and probably still can, look for understanding the disconcerting precedent the case of Signor Pietro duals.

Dr Tamburino is said to feel that he has managed to reveal challenging both public order and the democratic order. But he has not yet been able to give more than an indication of the existence of a central body. described by one of the accused as "Organization X".

The natural completion of his inquiry would be provided by a thorough investigation into this supposedly top body in the hierarchy of right-wing sub-

It is regarded as no coinci dence that television has just revived the Costa-Gavras film Z which describes the collusion in high places and intrigue which ruined the investigation of a Greek judge into a political killing in 1963.

Left-wing rift perplexes many Communists

From Our Own Correspondent Paris, Dec 18

A third of France's workingclass Communist voters do not understand why the party leadership is quarrelling with

leadership is quarrelling with the Socialists, according to a Publimetrie opinion poll published in L'Aurore today.

This compares with 27 per cent who believe that the leadership is critical of M Mitterrand's party for "sound reasons". The Communist leadership has accused the Socialists of being willing to consider compromises

"No, there is no dissension in the party. The question of dis-sension did not even come up." He said the caucus meeting was routine. A meeting is believed to be scheduled for tomorrow at which senior officials from the party's various branches round the country will be briefed on the situation.

OVERSEAS____

settlement plans

Smith party hears of

The first meeting of the newly-enlarged executive of the African National Council is expected in the next few days. In addition to the acting chairman, Bishop Abel Muzorewa, and three other original ANC officials, the new executive includes Mr Joshua Nkomo, former leader of the Zimbabwe African People's Union, and

From Michael Knipe

stitutional settlement.

any dissension the chief whip, Mr Dennis Divaris, replied:

Salisbury, Dec 18

three of his colleagues and the Nev Ndabaning Statole, former leader of the Zimbabwe African National Union and three of his

The parliamentary caucus of colleagues.
The Rhodesian African na

the ruling Rhodesian Front party was briefed today by Mr Ian Smith, the Prime Minister, on the attempt to reach a contionalists agreed to merge their movements into the more moderate and legal ANC, at the recent meetings in Lusaka.

The enlarged ANC also encompages a fourth movement Asked afterwards if there was

compasses a fourth movement, Frolizi (the Zimbabwe Liberation Front) which is the product of an earlier and abortive attempt to unite Zapu and Zapu. volvement in the guerrilla war, Mr James Chikerema, the Frolizi leader and his three top officials in Lusaka are unable to return to Rhodesia to assume their position on the AMC over their position on the ANC execu-

tive. The ANC executive meeting will attempt to hammer out a strategy for the forthcoming constrategy for the forthcounting con-stitutional conference. It is thought unlikely that any deci-sion will be reached before Christmas on the site of the conference or on the delicate issue of who will chair it.

NZ economist to Peking zoo gets face trial

Wellington, Dec 18.-A judge today ordered Dr William Ball Commonwealth preference: Mr Whitlam, the Australian Prime Min-Sutch, a leading New Zealand ister, says in Brussels that he sees no advantage in Britain leaving the economist, to stand trial on a charge of a breach of the Official Secrets Act.

Dr Sutch, aged 67, formerly head of New Zealand's Department of Trade and Industry, had earlier pleaded not guilty to a charge of obtaining infor-mation useful to an enemy. This was in a magistrates' court where he was committed for trial after the prosecution said he had held clandestine meetings with Soviet diplomats in Wellington.

Dr Sutch applied to the Supreme Court for a motion that no indictment on the charge be presented against him and the application was heard in chambers by Chief Justice Sir Richard Wild, who dismissed it in a judgment handed down in open court today.—Reuter.

two rhinos From Our Own Correspondent

Peking, Dec. 18 Mr Edward Youde, the British Ambassador, today handed over to the Peking 200 two young white rhinoceroses which have been sent as a gift from the London Zoo. The chinoceroses, which are

in exchange for the two
Pandas sent to Britain as a
result of Mr Heath's visit to
China this year, are named
Mungo and Nykasi, and it is hoped that eventually they will mate. Both animals were born in British 2008.

Parliamentary pay rise debate ignored Ottawa, Dec 17.-A parlia-mentary debate on a 50 per

cent pay rise for Canadian MPs was adjourned after 90 minutes today for lack of a minutes today for

British firms encouraged to improve African wages

By John Groser The Government has decided that it is right for British com-panies with holdings or subsidiaries in South Africa to give evidence in public that they are treating their African employees properly. An under-taking is given in a White Paper, published yesterday, that action will be taken to encourage British firms to improve the wages and working conditions of coloured workers.

The White Paper gives effect to the Company of decisions

to the Government's decisions on the recommendations of a parliamentary select commit-tee, which reported in March this year. The committee's guidelines for employment practices by British companies with interests in South Africa were set out in a code of practice distributed to parent com-

panies earlier this year. Since then, the White Paper says, the Government has been considering the committee's other recommendations after. consultations with both sides of industry.

The proposals are based on a system of voluntary disclosure which is to be strengthened in

its value by extensive publicity. The White Paper says that the Government has decided that British officials, both in Britain and in South Africa, will constitute to draw the attention of tinue to draw the attention of business to the code of practice and to stress the Govern ment's endorsement of it.

Secondly, supplementary guidance on labour matters in South Africa will be sent to all British companies with affiliates there.

Thirdly, British companies with subsidiaries in South Africa will be invited to publish regularly information that shows the progress being made to raise the living standards working conditions

African employees.
Fourthly, a first secretary i to be appointed to the British Embassy in South Africa to keep departments in London fully informed on labour matters there and to provide, when required general information and advice to South African subsidiaries of British

firms. Wages and Working Condi-tions of African Workers Employed by British firms in South Africa: HMSO, 12p.

EEC begins scheme for cheap sugar

russels, Dec 18

han DM500,000 (£90,000) in

urt in the robberies

aids on six banks

The European Commission's cheme to provide the British ousewife with cheap sugar got ong tonight, when the Com-lission approved tenders from he trade to import 102,000 tons f raw sugar from the world

The bulk of this will go to iritish refineries, and there-ore to British consumers, with small amount for the French. t will be subsidized from the EC's farm fund to the tune of

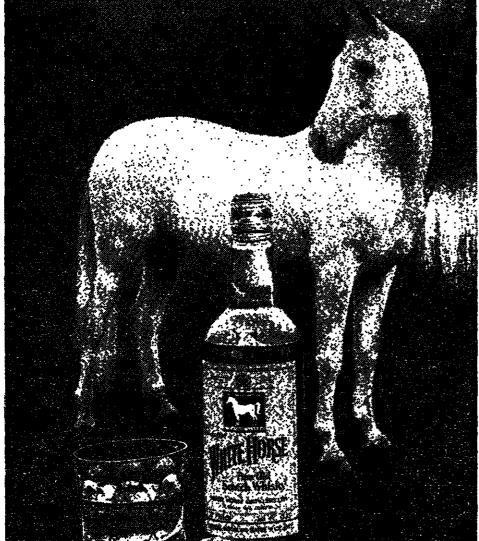
just over £200 a ton, making a toral EEC subsidy of over £20m. A similar exercise last week produced only bids which the Commission considered too

In October the EEC's Council of Ministers approved a Commission plan to bridge Britain's 1975 sugar deficit by buying sugar on the world market and exhelicitions is the articles. subsidizing it down to the price guaranteed to Community producers, roughly £156 a ton. This compares with the current world price of £430 a ton (it world price of £430 a ton (it total shortfall is expected to was over £600 a ton recently). amount to 600,000 tons in 1975.

To reduce the cost of the sub-sidy to the EEC, about which the Germans were particularly worried, sugar traders are given a certificate allowing them to export next year's EEC crop without paying the present high export tax, thus giving them an opportunity to gamble on the

futures market.

The 102,000 tons approved today represents just over helf the first slice of 200,000 tons tional government headed by a Portuguese High Commissioner under the scheme agreed by the Council of Ministers. Britain's guese governors of the Cape



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FINE OLD SCOTCH WHISKY

The investiture of the High Commissioner comes hard upon a wave of arrests of what the PAIGC authorities in Cape Verde call "agitators" of the freedom movement UPICV. They accuse more than a dozen arrested Cape Verdians of plotting to assassinate PAIGC leaders. Luanda, Dec 18.—Admiral Antonio Rosa Coutinho, the Portuguese High Commissioner in Angola, flew to the rown of Luso this morning for talks with leaders of two of the territory's three liberation movements. **Swedes board Soviet ship** in restricted waters From Our Correspondent Stockholm, Dec 18

Swedish officials were today questioning the captain of a Russian cargo ship who, they said, set anchor in restricted waters near Stockholm without asking for permission.

A Swedish Coast Guard torpedo boat forced the Russian state merchant vessel, Volga-Balt 177, to dock at Norrtälje, near Stockholm, after the capain said he was forced to drop anchor in restricted waters to seak shelter from a stockholm.

seek shelter from a storm. Swedish police and marine authorities boarded the 2,300 mn vessel and were questioning the captain, who refused to go ashore. The Swedish Foreign Ministry said the case was being treated as a civil marter for the time being.

The Swedish Supreme Command dismissed the captain's assertion that the weather was bad. "The weather was cer-tainly not stormy, and the cap-tain surely knew he was enter-ing restricted waters, with coastal batteries", it said. "He must have known that he was supposed to ask permission from us to anchor."

Several hours after the ship was boarded, there was no word whether it would be allowed to sail. Government sources said it was probable that Sweden would make an official protest to the

Soviet Government.
The Foreign Ministry said tonight that police would remain in the ship overnight to conduct a complete search. The Government would issue a statement tomorrow after the police had

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More Nixon men expected to resign as President Ford moulds his Cabinet into shape

From Patrick Brogan Washington, Dec 18

Mr Claude Brinegar, the Secfor Transportation, announced his resignation from announced his resignation from Peter Brennan, Secretary of the Administration today. He Labour, and Mr Earl Butz, Secwill probably be succeeded by retary of Agriculture. Mr John Robson, a lawyer from Chicago who was once general of the Treasury, has confided to counsel to the department, and his friends that he does not who is a close friend of Mr Donald Rumsfeld.

Mr Rumsfeld is President Ford's chief assistant and he is now well into the swing of removing Mr Nixon's Cabinet officers. Already he has cleared all the senior Nixon men out of the White House.

The last to go was Mr Roy Ash, director of the Office of Management and the Budget, whose resignation was announced yesterday. It will take effect about February 1, when the Budbet has been delivered to Congress.

Mr Ash will probably be succeeded by Mr James Lynn, Secretary of Housing and Urban Orber Cabinet is a Democrat. His predecessor,

The United States has caused

something of a stir at the United Nations by announcing

that it will not sit on a new committee which will be in

charge of distributing aid to the

developing countries.

The decision reflects the

to be swept along by majority

decisions of which they dis-approve. The special fund was

one of two that were decided on at a special Assembly

session earlier this year, and

Americans' determination not ing aid.

Welfare, Mr Frederick Dent, Secretary of Commerce, Mr

Mr William Simon, Secretary know whether he will survive the reshuffle. This would leave Dr Henry Kissinger at the State Department and Dr James Schlesinger at the Pentagon with, perhaps, Mr Rogers Morton safe at the Department of the Interior. It remains possible, however, that Mr Morton might, like Mr Lynn, be promoted into the White House.

Meanwhile, Mr Edward Levi, president of the University of Chicago and Attorney-General designate, has come to Washington to talk to the congressional leaders who will have to approve his appointment Con-servative Republicans are

officers expected to depart soon are Mr Casper Weinberger, Secretary of Health, Education and confirmed in his new post as Ambassador to India.

Most of these departing Cabinet officers are men of no ourstanding ability. Many of them were installed for Mr Nixon's second term with one of Mr Heldeman's bright young men as deputy to keep an eye on them. Mr Jeb Magruder went to Commerce, Mr Egil Krogh to Transportation (both later went to jail), Mr Edward Morgan went to the Treasury,

Early next year, therefore, Mr Ford will have his own Cabinet, as he elready has his own White House staff. Mr Rumsfeld has been preparing a new organization for the White House, splitting up the empires of Mr Haldeman and Mr Ehrlichman into a number of separate offices.

The reorganization will be announced soon. America will have a functioning and competent government again for the

America refuses to sit on Mr Wilson to visit US new UN aid committee From Our Own Correspondent New York, Dec 18

said that they saw no point in They suggested that the fund might be useful for "newly rich member states, without established patterns and institutions for rendering assist-ance"; but they themselves intended to continue to use existing channels for distribut-

The American decision came after the General Assembly had taken another controversial decision by agreeing to set up a committee of 42 to review all aspects of the United Nations the Americans have consistently charter.

on January 30 Mr Wilson's visit to Washing-

ton will take place on January 30 and 31, preceded by a visit to Ottawa. The Prime Minister has been invited by Mr Trudeau, the Canadian Prime Minister, to take the opportunity of seeing him while he is in North America and Mr Wilson will fly to Ottawa on January 29. Before returning he will see

Dr Kurt Waldheim, Secretary General of the United Nations, in New York. Mr Wilson will be accompanied by Mr Callaghan, the Foreign Secretary.

Bitter fighting at Vietnam crossroads Saigon, Dec 18.—Close-quarter fallen in the past few days, and Saigon command reported that

today, with communist units threatening to cut off much of Phuoc Long province, north of here, military sources said.

Communist troops entered Don Luan, a district capital 60 miles north of Saigon, the sources said. The garrison of several hundred Government miliriamen was holding out with air and artillery support, but the sources described the situaas dangerous.

Another district town and a militia base in the province had

fighting broke out in a strategic communist troops fought their South Vietnam crossroads town way into a further town two days ago, inflicting more than 130 Government casualties, according to the sources.

The Saigon command issued-

no report on the fighting in Don Luan, but said the airstrip just outside had changed hands twice. Militiamen recaptured it after losing it last night. Government military sources believe any Vietcong gains in

Phuoc Long may be among the hardest for Saigon's forces to Elsewhere in the province, the

militiamen were driven from positions guarding two bridges, and the provincial capital Phuoc Binh-already cut off by road from Government lineswas hit by three rockets today.

The upsurge of action in Phunc Long followed coordinated communist efforts in other regions, stretching Government forces.

There has been a call for a prolonged ceasefire, to start at Christmas, from Senator Vu Van Mau, leader of the opposition National Reconciliation Forces.

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only living sextuplet. Last year she lost quad-

Lebanese village raided by Israel troops

From Paul Martin Beirut, Dec 18

Helicopter-borne Israel troops attacked a village six miles in-side Lebanese territory early today, blew up six houses and kidnapped four villagers. The attack is the latest Israel riposte in the steadily growing war be-tween Israel and the Palestinian

The Israelis attacked only hours after Lebanese parhamen-tarians had recommended that the country should seek Arab counsel and possibly aid in new defence measures to repulse Israel attacks. Although the latest attack was only a pinprick, it served to keep alive the new awareness of Lebanons' defencelessness in the face of

According to a Lebanese mistary communique the Israelis struck just after 2.30 am (0030 GMT) at the village of Majdel Zoun in the western border area. It said the Israel force had made its escape by the time Lebanese defenders reached the village. In addition to the six houses destroyed and the kid-napping of four villagers, a child was injured.
Although the Israelis claimed

that the houses they selected were used as guerrilla bases, no

mention of guerrillas was made in the official Lebanese commu-

Moshe Brilliant writes from Tel Aviv: The Israel raiders reportedly were met by sporadic gunfire. There were no reports of casualties. Military headquarters said all

six houses had been searched and evacuated before they were blown up. The houses had been selected because they had been "used by terrorists". Two Arabs had been brought back for interrogation.

An Arab attack on the border kibbutz of Hanita, at first was officially reported as a karyusha rocket hombardment from Lebanese territory. Then it was discovered that the border security fence and the Hanita village fence had been breached and infiltrators fired bazookas and lobbed grenades from within the village grounds.

Jerusalem, Dec 18.—The Greek Catholic Archbishop Hilarion Capucci, who was jailed for 12 years for aiding Arab guerrillas has been on hunger strike since Friday, prison authorities said today. But they said he had agreed to take a glass of specially-prepared concentrated food twice a day.—Reuter.

(Ref: DMS/OS)

Israel's Ministry of Justice is

Treason inquiry arouses fears

for free speech in Israel

From Eric Marsden Jerusalem, Dec 18

committed treason.

the occupied areas.

part in a demonstration outside

He contends that while sup-

At his flat in Rehavia, Jerusa-

will serve an administration

The Shahak affair has caused a furore in academic and poliinvestigating alleged activities in support of the Palestine Liberation Organization by a chemistry professor of the Hebrew University in Jerusalem, tical circles. It has to be seen in the light of the emotional reaction to the Rabet summit and United Nations recognition of the PLO, which has conso that the Attorney General can decide whether there is vinced the mass of Israelis that they are again faced with a fight for survival. evidence to establish that he has

against the professor, although The subject of the investifew Israelis were aware of his is Professor Israel activities until recently. Yet there is a troubled minority, particularly of students and lecturers, which regards the chairman of the Israel League for Human and Civil Rights, which frequently complains of repression of Arabs Government investigation as the and ill-treatment of prisoners in first erosion of the cherished Israeli tradition of free speech, The investigation was dis-closed in the Knesset by Mr academic freedom and the right to fight for unpopular causes.

Haim Zadok, the Justice Mini-Professor Shahak's critics rester, in answer to a suggestion by a right-wing Lukud member that the professor should be put tort that these must be suspended in Israel's present perilous simation, which they compare to that of wartime Britain. Strangely, the campaign against him has been led not by right on trial for treason. A storm blew up over Professor Shahak in October, when he visited him has been led not by right-wingers—although he has been denounced in most newspapers—but by two leading Liberals, Professor Amnon Rubinstein and Mr Uri Avneri. Professor Rubinstein, former dean of Tel Aviv University's law faculty and leader of Shinui (Change), a new group which aims drastically to re-Holland to attend a meeting of the Dutch Palestine Committee. He was accused later in the press of having supported Palestinian terrorists and taking

the Israel Embassy. Professor Shahak denies the accusations. which aims drastically to re-form Israel society, opened the attack in the daily newspaper Haaretz after Professor Shaporting Palestinian rights he publicly denounced terrorism, including the Kiryat Shmona and Maalot massacres, at the meeting in Holland. Nor did he take hak's visit to Holland. Professor

He described Professor Shahak's activities as "a mental part in the embassy demonstraperversion . . . worse than those of Lord Haw Haw and Tokyo Rose during the Second World War". There was no doubt that there was much lem's most fashionable district, he told me: "Everything I do is in the open. They have nothing against me; but I expect, from what I hear from prima facie evidence for bring-ing Professor Shahak to trial friends and at the university, for treason, but this would make a martyr of him " and we would seem to substantiate his that in a few weeks' time they detention order on me of the

kind they use to lock up Arab suspects."

Professor Rubinstein poit out that the Minister of Interior had the power to rest the citizenship of a person had "committed a deed of loyalty to the state of Isra but had not used this author for reasons best known to h self.". He also attacked Hebrew University authority for allowing Professor Shaha keep his post, asserting academic freedom was Public opinion is heavily

unlimited and could not pro The university rector, Prosor Michael Rabin, replying Hacretz praised Profe Shahak's performance of duties, and said he had acade freedom which he did not to introduce politics into

university. Mr Uri Avneri has denoue Professor Shahak's "horror paganda" as " liable to serv ammunition in the hands those who aspire to destroy state". Professor Shahak is repentant. He counter-char that Israel newspapers wi have printed violent attacks reply, although he has submit articles answering the all-

tions point by point.
In an article prepared for
English-Language Jerusa
Post, but not so far publish
he says: "I am not a defen I am an accuser ", and goes to renew his allegations that the occupied areas Israel is of ducting "one of the most of

and repressive regimes modern times."

He adds: "When a Jew: the Syrians tortured him must believe him at once. but when a Palestinian claithat Jews tortured him we m Israel officials deny the

ture accusations and maint that no complaints have h made by Red Cross repres tatives who visit prisoners.

tions, support, sympathy a

agreement", and that il should make it easier to finar further advertisements in t

Dr Mehdi admits that there-

a considerable overlap betwe

the committee's membersh and that of the Council for t

The people behind an advertisement "brought in a flood of do

By Edward Mortimer The Committee for Justice in the Middle East, whose adver-tisement in *The Times* last week provoked so much controversy, was set up in 1968. Its chairman is Dr Muhammad Mehdi, a lecturer in mathematics at Birkbeck College, London. Dr Mehdi is a British subject of Iraqi origin. Dr Mehdi told me yesterday

that the committee has 200 to 300 "ordinary members", each of whom pays an annual sub-scription of £1. Most of these, he said, are Arab students and sympathizers, but a large minority is British, including a number of British Jews. In addition there is a mailing list of 680 people.

The committee is run by an executive of nine people, of

whom Dr Mehdi and three others are Arabs. Its aims are
"to bring to the attention of
the British public the truth
about the Middle East conflict
and to defend the human rights of the Palestinians in Israel and in the occupied territories."

It has been alleged in Lon-

don that the advertisements placed by the committee are financed by the Arab League. But both Dr Mehdi and the league's London office strongly According to Dr Mehdi, the money comes from "donors,

supporters and sympathizers, including "a lot of fairly wealthy Arab businessmen who have been settled here for de-He claims that the advertise-

ment

Advancement of Arab-Briti Understanding, founded 1967, and also that of Palestin

future.

Action. But, he says, the organizations are more polical, whereas the committee co centrates on human rights. This particular advertisment, he adds, was "trigger off" by anger at the front-pa photograph in The Times Mrs Golda Meir, the form Israel Prime Minister, cryir

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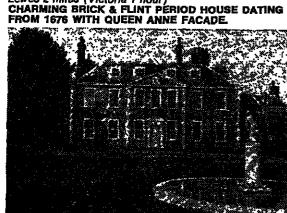
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Touses le verseas. Choice of new Greek President stirs nter-party friction

parties, we mean the manner in which he will discharge his duties not his partisan origin, Mr Karamanlis said.

for talks with Mr Bitsios, the Greek Foreign Minister, and

other leaders.
A joint statement confirming

agreed to consult at regular in-

negotiations to ensure the free transit of Yugoslav trade through the port of Salonika, after the expiry of the treaty for a Yugoslav free zone in that port, should be concluded as soon as possible.

and administrations and their peaceful coexistence depends on

the agreement of their leaders.

on all issues concerning the Turkish Cypriot community."

Unless these realities were taken into consideration efforts

to achieve a peaceful settle-ment would fail. Mr Denktash also reiterated that the Turkish

Cypriots recognize the Archhishop only as the leader of the Greek Cypriot community and not as the President of Cyprus.

President Makarios himself

newspaper Apogeomatin said today that the incidents "were organized jointly by the British and the Turks". The newspaper blamed the British "for failing

to take adequate measures to

prevent a few tens of extremist

Turks from demonstrating in

objective was to force the

Cyprus Government to consent to the transfer of the 8,000

allowing Makarios to enter the

base area for political reasons".

The newspaper Bozkurt said:
"The British base authorities

should have been aware that the

Turks in the south are full of

hatred for the Greek Cypriots

It alleged that the British

such a manner".

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The Opposition's reaction was

m Mario Modiano
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fr Michael Stasinopoulos,
former president of the
mail of state and a state inty of the ruling New nocracy party, was elected Parliament today to be in-in President of the Republic-is to hold office until the y Greek constitution is draf-and promulgated, some time he spring. oon after his election, Presi-

a Stasinopoulos took the h of office in Parliament in presence of Archbishop aphim, the Greek Primate. gave a pledge to defend prevailing faith of the eks, safeguard the constitu-and the laws of the Greek ion, and maintain and protect national independence and grity of the Greek state". re was applause and shouts

nios (worthy).
he new President received votes out of 291. There were votes against, eight blanks, three spoilt papers. The less of the Opposition said although they had nothing inst the person of the Presit, they would vote against to register their disappointment that Mr Karamanlis, the ne Minister, had chosen to nt that Mr Karamanlis, the
ne Minister, had chosen to
12 partisan character to the
13 presidential election after
abolition of the monarchy.
14 George Mavros, leader of
Centre Union/New Forces
15, said: "With the elec12 of a party personality as
15 sident, a tradition is estab16 ed whereby the fundamental
16 introps shall depend on the

n of one-party state, which ardly conducive to the conardly conducive to the conduction of democracy."

If Andreas Papandreou, ler of the Socialist Movent, said his party would also ose the election. "We see to take part in pro-

m Our Correspondent isia, Dec 18

Rauf Denktash,

prevent Archbishop Maka-from attempting to visit kish Cypriot refugee camps

de the British sovereign of Episkopi, in southern rus yesterday.

Makarios's visit could been worse", Mr Denktash

in an interview with the kish Cypriot Bayrak radio

es did not prevent it."
resident Makarios had to

t a hasty retreat yesterday

en Turkish Cypriot refugees

cked the approach road to

of the camps at Episkopi

the presidential car turned und and sped off, the refu-

s stoned other vehicles in

he abortive visit was the

sident's first attempt to

se into direct contact with

kish Cypriots since he re-ned to the island from his

e-month exile on December

dr Denktash said: "For

nths attempts were being

cosphere between the two nmunities, but the latest

ve by Archbishop Makarios

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iturious shall depend on the of the majority party. We thus being led to a new

Pakistan minister resigns over allegations cedures leading to a new style of maintain rule under a parliamentary cloak," he said.

Islamabad. Dec 18.—Mr Khurshid Hasan Meer, the Paki-stani Minister of Labour and Health, has resigned and re-newed demands for a judicial inquiry into allegations of

parliamentary cloak, he said.

In his reply, Mr Karamanis said he did not share the Opposition's view that the majority party should consult the other parties over the election of a president. In most Western countries the president was a party man. "When we speak of a president above parties, we mean the manner in inquiry anto allegations or corruption.

In his letter of resignation to Mr Bhutto, the Prime Minister, published in today's newspapers, Mr Meer accused Mr Maulana Kausur Niazi, the Minister of Religious Affairs, of character assassinations, corruption and hisckmail.

character assassinations, corruption and blackmail.

Mr Meer, who is 49, has been a Cabinet Minister since Mr Bhunto formed his first Gowernment in May, 1972. He also resigned as deputy secretary-general of the ruling Pakistan People's Party.

Three days ago Mr Meer officered to resign so that allegations of corruption against him by Maulana Niazi could be investigated. He also called for public inquiries by High Court judges into any allegation of corruption or malpractice against any government minister. President, whose duties will be purely ceremonial, and more towards the president who is to be elected under the new constitution to president who is the pr constitution to succeed him. It is now assumed generally that Mr Karamanlis will take over president, with increased executive powers, as soon as the new charter goes into effect.
All other parties have expressed
their opposition to the presiden-Mr Karamanlis has accepted an invitation from President Tito to visit Yugoslavia. The invitation was conveyed by Mr Milos Minic, the Yugoslav Foreign Minister, who has just ended an official visit to Athens

His offer was met with offi-cial silence. In his learer yester-day he silened that Maulana Niazi's men in the Information Department had put pressure on to the press to delete part of his previous letter relating to the Minister of Religious

Mr Meer said that since he had released his first letter to the news media last Saturday, "the men Maulana Niazi had planted or patronized in the Information Department and the press have been even historia. President Tito's invitation, expressed satisfaction over the evolution of Greek-Yugoslav relations and voiced the common desire for closer cooperation. The two foreign ministers press have been even busier at

press have been even busier at their dirty game.

"It would bear a high-level judicial scrutiny to uncover the corruption, nepotism, and blackmail by which he had seduced them during his tenure as Minister of Information and Broad-costing."

Maulana Niazi was Information Minister for more than two years until he took over the Religious Affairs portfolio in a Cabinet reshuffle in October. Political observers believe that the main reason for the

power struggle within the party and Mr. Bhutto's direct involve-ment in it, is that there have been no elections for party offices since it was founded in 1967. All senior positions have been filled by Mr Bhutto's nomination.

But a reorganization of the party is now under way. Rolls are being compiled of party members, and party elections are planned for late next year.

Australia stays deportation order on Czechs

Melbourne. Dec 18 Mr Clyde Cameron, minister for Labour and Immigration, today ordered the release from custody of two gration, Czech seamen who jumped ship at Groote Eylandt in the Gulf of Carpentaria five months ago and were awaiting deportation.

The men were released pending further inquiries into their case. Meanwhile, they must report to the Immigration Department in Darwin once a

to the transfer of the 8,000 Turkish Cypriot refugees in the Episkopi base to the Turkish-occupied part of the island, as demanded by Turkey.

The Turkish Cypriot press also blamed the British "for collection Malacian for the collection of the co Jan Janik, a mechanic, and Jaroslav Reimisch, a cook, made their escape from the ship, Praha, when it docked at Groote Eylandt to load manganese ore last June. They hid in the bush and reported next morning to the island's police station, where they asked for political asylum.

Immigration

Denarment

Department Immigration officials flew them to Darwin and told them that they were free to find jobs while their request for political asylum was being processed.

Michael Leapman, who runs the diary, suggests the latest Dick Francis thriller while Sheridan Morley is rather more exotic with the idea of Bendicks thick mints. Valerie, my assistant, wants half-hour of body massage, a

foot massage and pedicure which sounds as if I should work her less hard (cost about £4 from parlours everywhere). Dennis Topping, of Business News, has a list of tools-Yankee screwdriver, cutter, oits for ms men-speed drill, anything gimmicky as long as it works, and Duke Elling.

Luxor, Acapulco for four at features editor, wants Badedas, starting with China next year, as usual, and our marketing and a dozen expensive pieces of chief is among those who long art nouveau jewelery are escapfor excellent wine-Philip Howard specifies champagne or Dictionary (£32)—or the non-malt whisky but would also compact one (£100). A Mini-appreciate book tokens. Charles Moke, one of British Leyland's

by asking for camera films and golf balls. Under £10—Caleche perfume. our friends would like to give, rods, dianer or theatre for two, i camera equipment, shrubs that stay alive and a boiler suit (for gardening?) are part of a list

in charge of home news and

more tools, indoor and out. Rather more esoteric, but still under £10 probably for the last year-are an electric Sellotape dispenser (last seen months since); an addition to some unique old prints of the Treasury, of which I particularly like one showing the old Horse Guards as well, mounted on softly-warm burgundy and simply framed. A subscription to Sotheby's and Christie's catalogues of English pottery sales,

My own definition of the cassettes for the car are offset ideal present is that it should by a practical order for a bulk supply of woollen gloves, halfa-dozen bottles of Cucumber Refresher from Cosmetics à la Carte, necessary to combat life in London's grime, and a £6 London bus ticket.

Tonka people follow the usual Tonka tradition of being strong enough for children to stand on them

which they will. But these are very small finger puppets despite their strength. The lady in the bottom row has three faces because the top part, including hairdo and face, swivels round the body to give

three expressions. Some little people are set in tiny cars, some are animals, and some are in sets of

Ask for the Tonka Gigglers, adjust their faces to the mood of the moment, and you will find you want

one on the desk as much as a child wants one at home—in fact, more adults are buying these for them-

selves than for their offspring. Two people and a cart cost £1.14 but individual animals are 36p. At

Harrods, Fortnums, all branches of Debenhams and House of Fraser and at other stores. Tonka's head

two with one car (the other character directs traffic).

office is at Fishponds Road, Wokingham, Berkshire.

cost me something to give-

effort, thought, a little more

money than I can easily afford,

and even some envy because I would like to keep it for myself.

Because it meets more than one

of these criteria, Peter Jay's recommendation of 25lbs of

sugar gets the accolade for the

but who is able to buy all their

sugar at the lower prices-let

alone get 251bs of the stuff.

myself who makes wine.

The unlimited budget nominations become even more ori-ginal. Sheridan Morley, shortly to leave the paper, wants a lifelong subscription to The Times. Christmas 1974 gift in the Peter Jay longs for a Solaris catamaran from anyone who Under £5 category. Well, you might just get it for under £5, has £50,000 to spare. Michael Leapman—a weekend cottage on the Côte d'Azur and the time means to use it often. Valerie's dream cottage is in Northumberland, next door to a What amazes me is that nobody else thought of it, including heated, Olympic-size swimming pool maintained by someone else and complete with a giant antique bed. Dennis Topping wants tickets for two to Jamaica, a villa in the South of France (which comes up often), repayment of his mortgage or a Piper Aztec complete with ownership of a convenient landing strip. Charles Douglas Home covets a single lense reflex light-metered Pentax, a good second-hand piano and a Grand National runner and his keep for four mombs, which is more modest than the gentleman who insists on a Derby winner, and never mind a mere runner.

Holidays are popular-cove ton's autobiography, Music is the Les Brisas hotel, a promismy Mistress. Margaret Allen, sury note from Cooks Tours ist compared with the more sulid compact Oxford English Douglas-Home, assistant editor former glories, can be bought rebuilt by a Battersea supplier affairs, gives away his hobbies optionals. and is top of somebody's

So much for receiving. What

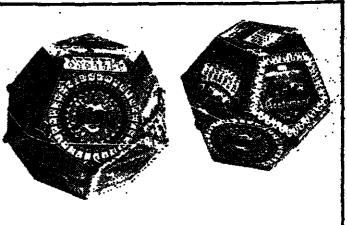
"leather" bound Japanese from a good vegetarian cookery photograph albums from Har book to flowers. Signs of The Times, a book of road signs from The Times Diary, is a good 65p gift (and I should stress that these loyalist presents are gardening?) are part of a list totally voluntarily recom-that also includes cassettes and mended). Having said which, I can add that someone else wants to give The Times Cook Book but, happily, nor every-one is so partisan since Mailer's biography of Marilyn Monroe is another idea. The Stockbroker ago in Selfridges and not found Game is put forward as the only way of making money just now, involving the usual mixture of skill and luck—the giver, a seasoned investor, is always beaten by her 18-year-old daughter.

coloured components and you end up with 12 faces for the 12 months of 1975. About 48p at many stationers. Marketed by Toomix, 67 Alderbrook Road, London, SW12. They are in stock at Paperchase Products, 216 Tottenham Court

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each dodecahedron measure
about 21 inches. Paperchase is,
like Kertles of 127 High Holborn a mine of paper and paper things. Wrapping paper is such a price this year that it might as well be superlative—it is cheaper to buy rolls of plain-coloured paper than to buy the seasonal patterns.



Here comes the annual reminder—an aerosol spray for the live Christmas tree. S-600 protects greenery with a clear, dry film that allows the tree to breathe but traps moisture already in the leaves or needles and so prevents or delays debydration in hot atmospheres. Not only a way to avoid a good deal of needles drop but you might even successfully plant the tree out for next year —if that is the intention, bed the roots in a tub of damp earth. A fresh tree will not shed its needles when you brush your hands along a branch. Keep it out of doors until the latest moment, then give it a cool corner of the house. S-600 is 35p or 55p at many stores, garden shops, Boots, etc.



other hopes to give a Ladies Home Doit-yourself Manual for Intelligent Women but I shall have the grace not to mention his name in case be finds one and his wife gets it. A man who likes to bedge b dan Morley who is as keen to give as to get Bendicks thick mints (one yard under £5 or two yards under £10) in the hope that he will be asked to share them.

Shona Crawford Poole admires Moon Boots (around £16 to £17) from Italy. She says the big base and sole, like those worn by men on the moon, are perfect for after-ski on sore, bruised feet and for walking on snow without exhaustion—in dark colour splashed with brilliant stripes, they are in many ski shops.

A year's supply of Krug 1964 would cost a lot. And a matched set of brooch, necklace, earrings and accessories of emer-alds and diamonds—with quality stones-would cost hundreds of thousands. Holidays in this price range cover Thailand, Haiti, California, India, Kashmir, Nepal, Sikkim or round the

world. Portable colour TV is a good idea since these must go up in price; but I doubt the wisdon of giving a Prussian-blue Jaguar XI 12 with matching windows complete with portable colour TV for wayside halts.

I asked people what they hated to give and to get. More or less unanimously, they listed clothes, tobacco, cigarettes, drink, cosmetics, ill-fitting socks Between E5 and E10, there and pants, useless desk furniare two men with almost a ture and accessories, anything single thought. One asks for a useful and acceptable in gift do-it-yourself manual and some parlance, after-shave lotions and camera equipment and more basic tools for himself. The other toiletries, and money.

With champagne the

price it is, substitutes

become more palatable

than they used to be. I dislike most substi-

tutes, but I also make my own with juices from Southern Vin-

yards and very good it

is, drier than the vari-

ous other sparkling wines I can buy as well

as cheaper. One that I can accept as being dry and sparkling is the

Cordoniu range. The Grand Conday is excel-lent value at £1.20 the

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and particularly against the Greek Cypriot leadership. Was their aim to let Makarios be al ambitions, put them back. The two national communis have their own interests, berate institutions, leadership lynched by the Turks?" Handbook for dissidents on psychiatric examination

om Our Correspondent hens, Dec 18 Three air hostesses from indon on holiday in Greece political prisoners have produced a tactical handbook to guide dissidents subjected to psychiatric examination. It psychiatric examination. It recommends lying and submission to the authorities.

aft crash on the island of skonos. Their bodies were wu to Athens to await instructors from next of kin. The British embassy identified evictime as Mice Diana The typewritten manuscript, entitled Handbook to Psychiatry for Dissidents, is circulating in Moscow. It was written in prison by Vladimir Bukovsky e victims as Miss Diana iompson, aged 22, Miss Valerie and Semyon Gluzman. augh, aged 23, and Miss leils Groarke, aged 20, air stesses with British

"Your fate depends on your ability to be immoral to people and organizations who profess the morality of a Hottentot", the book says. "There are no grounds for hope in the con-They had apparently joined r Philip Lally, the pilot, who as also killed, on a singleigine Piper Cherokee fourater aircraft, rented from lympic Airmans for a day's science of doctors."

Mr Bukovsky was sentenced prison in 1972 to 12 years in prison and exile for publicly alleging that sane persons are put in Soviet mental hospitals. Mr Gluzman, a psychiatrist from Reuter.

Moscow, Dec 18.-Two Soviet Kiev, was sentenced to 10 years for dissident activities.

Recommending tactics for those being examined, the book says: "It is fatal to adopt the morality of the dissident truth, sincerity, sympathy—be-cause that would mean giving truthful replies to questions damaging to yourself." It would give the psychiatrist "the symptoms he needs".

Meanwhile, Analoly Marchenko, another dissident author, has renounced his Soviet

Mr Marchenko, who served three years in labour camps between 1968 and 1971 for his book My Testimony, describing prison life in Siberia, told reporters by telephone raday

reporters by telephone today that he had also requested permission to emigrate to the United States.—UPI and

Although breakdown figures

Ornamental biscuits that can be Christmas or assorted colours can eaten (apart from the string and be ordered. glitter) are an old-fashioned party idea. In fact, they need not be eaten are 72p per baker's dozen (13. that

because they are made to be kept is). The car, chicken, fish, butterfly, from one year to another, dusted off shooting star, loving heart, ordinary and boxed for rehanging another star, four-leaf clover and holly leaf Christmas. White the biscuits are in cost 12p each or £1.44 per baker's few shops only, they can be bought dozen. A lion and Christmas tree are Orders must be in excess of £2 and is 20p or £2.40.

The mushroom and pear shapes

England, some branches of Keymar-kets and Fine Fare and many others. Marketed by Cordoniu, Burling-ton Buildings, Oxford Place, Norwich NOR 07D. The £3 version is in an ornate, green-decorated box, looks by post form the maker. Mrs Judith 15p each or \$1.80 per baker's dozen with some additional in 20p or \$2.40.

lympic Airways, for a day's cursion. Mr Lally was an ustralian of Greek origin. The reraft crashed about eight dies from Mykonos airfield. Russia announces token defence cuts Moscow, Dec 18.—The Soviet

mion today announced a small eduction in military spending or 1975, apparently as a signal but the Kremlin is cautiously onfident that detente with the Vest will continue. Mr Vasily Garbuzov, the fin-

ince minister, told the Supreme soviet that next year 17,400m oubles (£10,023m) would be issigned in the budget for deence needs.

This represents a cut of 200m oubles (£118m) on the 1974 igure, and means that in 1975 only 8.4 per cent of the budget will officially go to the military compared with 9.1 per cent this

The percentage is believed to and K to the lowest publicly admitted down.

for defence spending since the Second World War, but Western analysts believe other sections of the Soviet budget include hid-

den military appropriations.

Earlier, Mr Nikolai Baibakov,
head of the State Planning Commission and a Deputy Prime Minister, told the 1,500 deputies that this year's grain harvest was only 195.5m tonnes, 27m tonnes down on last year's

record of 222.5m tonnes.
The 1974 total has only been exceeded in 1973, but it is still believed to be a disappointment believed to be a disappointment to the Soviet leaders who had set a target figure for the year of 205.6m tonnes. A particularly bad harvest in the eastern grain lands of western Siberia and Kazakhstan pulled the total

Soviet officials complained last year that much of the crop as registered was in fact dirt, snow and weeds, amounting, according to Western calculations, to as much as 15-20 per

Most observers regard the 1973 record as an exception, due to unusually good weather and a campaign to offset the bad harvest of the previous year, when the Soviet Union had to make vast grain purchases on the Western market

for this year have yet to be announced, it appears to be the Ukraine, the Soviet Union's traditional breadbasket, which came to the rescue with a harvest as good as last year's.-

A mystery at Findhorn

The Secret Life of Plants.

By Peter Tompkins and **Christopher Bird** (Allen Lane, £2.75)

Plant and Planet By Anthony Huxley

(Alien Lane, £4.95) My hibiscus sulks. No question. It (she) languishes grotesquely when a little short of water, and takes two years to produce a fat red bud so heavy for the stalk supporting it that a glance from me, any bright morning, will send it crashing to the ground unopened. A year ago, she expended so much energy on the creation of a new shoct late, and quite unexpected, ster would say she does. So she sulks.

wrong with mine. The gardeners of Findhorn would say there was something wrong with me: I should raise the quality of my vibrations. Mr Backster's experiments open The Secret Life of Plants, and the gardeners of Findhorn close

In the early 1960s miracles of horticulture were achieved on a galeswept, soil-thin caravan park overlooking Findhorn Bay on the Moray Firth. The gardeners were Peter Caddy, his wife Eileen and a third "sensitive", Dorothy McLean. Eileen and Dorothy received spirit-guidance at each stage of the planning, and took the spirit-names of Elixir and the planning, and took the anthropologist; that is all, spirit-names of Elixir and They are serious, not to say Divina. They all prayed very solemn, persons, but not hard, and their beloved garden scholarly nor claiming origin-

Short stories

The Camberwell Beauty

By V. S. Pritchett

(Chatto & Windus, £3)

By Stanley Elkin

Eligible Men

(Gollancz, £3.50)

Switch Bitch

credulity

Trevor

By Roald Dahl

(Michael Joseph, £2.75)

There are very few short story

writers at whom (glumly turn-ing pages) I have not muttered,

"There you go, stretching my credulity again". William Trevor is one exception. V. S. Pritchett is another. Mr

Pritchett's stories are grace-fully launched, cast off from the mooring of the first sen-tence, and they sail along with because it is underplayed.

The Duff Cooper Memorial Prize for 1974

for his book Wilfred Owen: A Biography

has been awarded to Jon Stallworthy

"There are obvious difficulties about writing the

biography of a man who lived only 25 years ... Jon

Stallworthy surmounts them all brilliantly in a biography which is unlikely to be bettered.'—The Times

'Mr. Stallworthy keeps making one re-experience and

sympathy. His book is beautifully produced, also, with

numerous reproductions of Owen's manuscripts.'-New

'This is an outstanding book, a worthy memorial to its

'One of the many good things about Jon Stallworthy's really admirable and scholarly biography is his

unobtrusive slipping in of quick comparison, nuances of

critical perception done without too much emphasis or weight of commentary.'-The Times Literary Supplement

subject, valuable too in its additions to our knowledge of

rethink the poems, and he writes with precision and

grew. It is easier to giggle at ality; their minor journalistic ine Gilbertian details of the new spirituality than to explain why Elixir and Divina not only made things grow which had never grown in Findhorn before have rear than the form the spiritual transfer. fore, but grew them to an exceptional size. One red cabbage weighed 42 lb, another 38. The community grew, too.

Ron Bowen's jacker-painting for The Secret Life of Plants shows one of Mr Caddy's crisp, vibratingly green lettuces against a vortiginous Northern sky that might have been experienced by the mystical German landscape painter, Caspar David Friedrich. The roots of the lettuce are bloodpink, shaped like a heart, warmed by (and warming?) a cupped pair of solicitous human hands. Love and the life eternal; the oneness and mutuality of all living things; a child) that her main body has strong dose of melodrama and been in a state of nervous sentimentality, an imminence suspension ever since. Does she of apocalypse and doom (the know that I have utterly lost earth and most of the sea are faith in her? Mr Clee Back very black): the message and tone of the book itself are perfectly arrested in a High I love plants, but there Romantic altar-piece that gives always seems to be something notice before we have even notice before we have even opened it that The Secret Life of Plants is not primarily about agriculture at all. Its chief subject is the survival of mankind through the spiritual re-generation of a new Life Force uniting all creation. In other words, religion.

Who are the scribes who gather together and enumerate the prophets of the new reli-The vibrations are not too promising. The publishers tell us that Peter Tompkins is "the author of Secrets of the Great Pyramid and several other works of history and biography" and that Chris-topher Bird is a biologer and

barely a pause. Here is how "The Spree" opens: "The old

man—but when does old age begin?—the old man turned

over in bed and putting out his hand to the crest of his wife's beautiful white rising hip and comforting bottom, hit the wall

with his knuckles and woke up."
The old man, whose wife is dead, drifts to his barber and

then to a pub where he is

swept up into the gaiety of a

firm's annual outing. Before long he is in the hired coach,

chatting amiably to a widow; then in Brighton, tasting free-dom. His life has not changed.

Not all the stories celebrate

this bitter-sweet climacteric of

longing. "Our Wife" is almost

absurd, a potted history of a marriage held together by a rowdy woman. The husband is secretive, the friend constant

and the woman is too noisy and

unattractive to arouse feelings of jealousy. It is all a witty

but his mood has.

time such potential adversaries of spiritual regeneration as un-sympathetic bureaucracies and the scientific method of inquiry practised in Western civilization since the seventeenth century. This is their only intellectual target, and when they invoke Goethe on the destructive pointlessness of jealous, mutually exclusive disciplines, they make their point well. Or rather, Goethe makes their point well. There are more things in heaven and earth, Horatio, but the diffi-culty lies in defining what they

Do plants feel? Do they suffer? Can they read our minds? Can I train my philodendron to open the garage door for me (but not for my burglar)? Is my jam killing my yoghourt? The first section of The Secret Life of Plants covers recent astonishing research into plant response in France, the United States and Russia. The next offers in sup-port an outline summary of the "non-scientific", mystical tra-dition of inquiry into the natural world, from Paracelsus and Jakob Boehme (1575-1624) through Goethe and G. T. Fechner (Nanna, or the Soul-Life of Plants, 1848, a Victorian best-seller) to the great Indian.
Sir Jagadis Chandra Bose and,
most engaging of all, the phenomenal black agriculturist Washington Carver. George Thereafter we swing way off course into auras, force-fields, dowsing and psychic research. Tompkins and Bird synthesize other men's views with some skill but make no clear distinc-tion between the innovator of genius and the paranoid nut. We need that distinction badly.

Anthony Huxley is the coauthor of the excellent Flowers

Those who manage to get

Those who manage to get through the tedium of "The Bailbondsman", the first of Mr Elkin's three short novels will arrive at the limit of pre-posterousness in "The Making of Ashenden", the portrait of Brewster Ashenden who save

Brewster Ashenden, who says, "Speaking personally I am glad to be an heroic man". He makes much of his comic genealogy and becomes the sole heir to a fabulate fortune (de-

heir to a fabulous fortune (his

father invented the paper matchbook and the slogan "Close cover before Striking").

It is a characteristic of the

American writer of the comic

apocalyptic mode to introduce moment of extravagant out-

rage to underpin, as it were,

14-page description of Ashen-den making love to a 700-pound

Russian bear, a Kamchatkan

provided the author with a

"generous" fellowship to write the book): "Is this how I'm

Playing it strictly for laughs

he succeeds marvellously, and one of the funniest things in the

book (in "The Condominium")

The four longish stories in

Switch Bitch are forays into the libido, rambling and sprawling

Mr Dahl is not a master of compression, though he clearly is enamoured of the old-fashioned surprise ending, a gimmick even television eschews

as vulgar. A paraphrase of any

of these stories would therefore be a betrayal of Mr Dahl's con-fidence. Suffice to say that two

concern the memoirs of the

lecherous Uncle Oswald, a Pari-

sian memory about a volatile scent, and an idyll in the Sinai

Desert at the castle of an Arabian, in which Uncle O. is

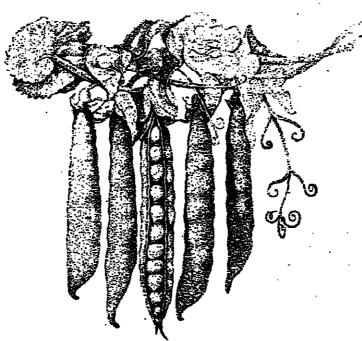
visited by—enough! To say the least thing is to reveal all, and why spoil such a small pleasure?

"The Great Switcheroo" is an exercise in wife-swapping. A slight, not to say insignificant

moral tale, and yet caution enough if you are willing to sus-pend your disbelief. My disbelief

was positively swinging.

wise buoyant narrative.



More plants in Cobbett's Country Book (David and Charles, £4.25), whence this finely drawn embellishment by Bert Kitchen. Richard Ingrams, in his introduction, remarks that only Cobbett's Rural Rides remains in print, perhaps because as a revolutionary he has been overshadowed by Tom Paine and John Wilkes. Ingrams has chosen an enticing selection from Cobbett's non-political writings. His gardening advice is as valuable now: sow thinly, he pleads, as "covering the

ground with seeds ... though it may produce abundant reaping to the seedsman, is far from having that tendency with regard to the crop". He was commercial enough to exhort "all who buy my seeds, to buy my book ". English Grammar sold 55,000 copies by 1825 "without ever-having been mentioned by the old shuffling bribed sots, called Reviewers". No wonder Cobbett's life was splattered with civil, and even criminal libel actions.

of the Mediterranean. He allows only a few of his 380 pages to the recent experiments doubting their provenance, but admitting a puzzlement: he concedes an unexplained mystery at Findhorn. Plant and Planet is more solid, more scholarly than The Secret Life, yet aims too for a popular (if more in-formed) readership. Mr Huxley accumulates a vast hoard of exemplary data on the inventiveness and variety of plant life and uses it to build the

structure of a natural evolu-tionary and ecological order which man disturbs at his peril: his penultinate, and longest, chapter, on the environmental crisis, is all the more horrifying for its sobriety. He does not speculate: "The planet seems quiescent, and for the present man is too much in control." We shall need all the vibrations we can lay our bands on to get us out of that.

Michael Ratcliffe

Crime

It is Christmas-wrapped goodies time in the crime world. The short-story collections are upon us. Stories are somewhat like the little parcels hanging on the tree: unwrapped, most of them prove to be swallow-at-abite frivolities, a handful turn out to be real presents, one or two to be cherished for ever.

in Winter's Crimes 6, edited by George Hardinge (Mac-millan, £2.95), a collection of

The 19 stories crammed

inside John Creasey's Mystery Bedside Book 1975, edited by Herbert Harris (Hodder, £2.50), are almost all of the instant munch variety, those short shorts that as Julian Symons, himself one of the con-tributors, says in his crime-history Bloody Murder "can be entertaining both to write and to read". The great difficulty they present, beyond the complications of devising a foolproofedly logical puzzle, is in making the casing that holds the piece of ingenuity possess a decent air of surface truth. There is a particularly good example of how it can be done in a tale by Michael Gilbert centring on the routines of a family solicitors' firm.

Ellery Queen's Crookbook, edited by Ellery Queen (Gollancz, £2.80), is another annual collection—25 stories this time -that for the most part provides toothsome morsels, and holiday welcome they are. Again Michael Gilbert shows how to do it, and there is an equally good example in Stanley Ellin's The Other Side of the Wall", beautifully lightly told, true as steel within its deliberate limitwell-timed final clicking into place. Finally, in a slightly different category let me recommend for sheer value *The* Second Simenon Omnibus (Hamish Hamilton, £4.75), four penetrating, marvellously economical novels from the pen of a master. Dole them out to yourself once a quarter through 1975.

However much one might deplore the particular passages in the book, there was a question of principle as to how far the courts should go. So far as publication was concerned, they all knew the remedies available in the ordinary way, whether by actions for libel, proceedings for contempt of court, prosecutions for obscenity or, his Lordship would add, actions for infringement of privacy.

Those remedies were available H. R. F. Keating

him study also Rickword's carefully formulated objections to Eliot's other books of the period; they represent, as do all his critical writings, the response of an honest mind prepared to analyse its own limitations in the way of puzzlement before new texts. Rickword is a neglected writer. His criticisms set some of the style and tone for Leavis. He was drawing attention to the genius of Rimbaud before that became a fashionable pursuit for English literary journalism. The man making the immediate response may be no more liable to error

Those remedies were available to prevent abuse of the freedom of the press. If the father had been alive, he might have brought a libel action; but if the writer said that it was true—as he did say—no injunction could be obtained; or, though it might be difficult, he might have an action for infingement of privacy since for infringement of privacy since the matters described were very private. But none of that applied since he was dead. Certainly no action would lie for any civil wrong to the child; no crime had been committed. Breath test appeal for Lords Walker v Lovell Before Lord Widgery, Lord Chief Justice, Lord Justice James and Mr Justice Melford Stevenson. Mr Justice Melford Stevenson.

If a motorist blows into a breathalyser but does not completely
inflate the bag, has he failed to
provide a specimen of breath for
a breath test even though the
crystals turn green?

The House of Lords is to consider the question on a police
appeal from the Queen's Bench
Divisional Court, who decided that
the motorist had not failed to
provide the specimen. A further
question raised in the same appeal
will be whether Scott v Baker
([1969] I QB 659)—the first deci-

do well in a entific research. He made seminal contributions anthropometrics, criminology geography and photography His practical inventions included

(a device used in navigation but a progenitor of telex) and a celestial symax for communication with life elsewhere in the

amateur experimenting in a backroom laboratory. He made a fine contribution to African exploration, which inspired later work on the herd instinct in animals and humans. Above all he pioneered the systematic study of associative thought processes, using a list of stimulus words, and so first putting unconscious mental events on a factual basis, to which Freud was indebted. His family life though gentle and compas-

whose central message remains

the wardship jurisdiction should be extended so far as to restrain the publication of the book. The girl's relatives had been reasonable Before Lord Denning, Master of the Rolls, Lord Justice Roskill and The Court of Appeal lifted an injunction restraining the publication of a book imposed to protect a ward of court, a girl of 14, on the ground that she might suffer grave psychological harm if she read passages in it referring to her dead father. about the matter. In their auxiety to protect the girl they were ready to pay £1,000 to get the passages removed; but the publishers objected in principle.

Ban imposed on publication of book

to protect ward of court lifted

Law Report December 18 1974

Sir John Pennycuick.

Mr justice Latey had granted the

injunction on the application of the girl's stepfather, against the publishers and author, restraining

them from publishing the book, already in print, unless the passages complained of were removed (The Times, November 6).

Their Lordships held that the

freedom of publication and the in-

perests of the child were involved

the court must balance those inter-

chological damage resulting.

be done. It was submitted that the jurisdiction of the court to pro-nect a ward was unlimited and when such harmful consequences

were likely to follow an injunction

There was also an unreported case, in which the Official Solicitor was concerned, where a father was anxious about his child's educa-

tion at a particular school and wanted to advertise in a newspaper

for people who would make com-plaints about the school and give him information to use. Apparently

an injunction was obtained to pre-

The present case was important in that it concerned the freedom of publication and of the press. However much one might deplore

Those remedies were available

will be whether Scatt v Baker ([1969] 1 QB 659)—the first decision under the Road Safety Act, 1967—correctly decided that a

valid arrest is a condition precedent to the requirement of a laboratory

vent his doing any such thing.

to wards.

So the matter had come before the court as a matter of principle. His Lordship did not think the wardship jurisdiction could or should be extended to cover the case. That jurisdiction had been used not only to prevent wrongs civil and criminal to the ward but also to protect him or her from any direct interference with his welfare—such as orders to protect the ward from marrying an unsuitable person, associating with unsuitable persons and the like.

parental jurisdiction of the court in relation to wards of court, though in theory unlimited, should in practice be subject to limitations and in a case where the All that could be done. But it Mr Justice Latey had expressed to far to say that it the view that the powers and could be invoked to restrain the of the courts exercise; the publication of the work. All one could hope was that those about the girl would do their best to see that it did not come into her Mr Brian Neill, QC, and Mr Frederic Reynold for the author and publisher; Mr Bryan Anns, QC, and Mr Lionel Swift for the stepfather.

The MASTER OF THE ROLLS and the step her he would not mention hands or safeguard her from any harmful effects. The doctor who gave evidence on affidavit said it was only harmful to her at her present age but that when she was in her late teens it might do her no harm.

said that he would not mention names of persons, places or books since it was undesirable to To grant the injunction, in his Lordship's view, would be extending the wardship furisdiction too far and would impinge too much on the freedom of the press. He would allow the appeal and lift the injunction. do so. The central figure was a girl now 14. Her father died some years ago. Her mother had marthe intunction.

ried again.

In October a book was about to be published; reviews had been printed. It was on a serious subject though written in a lurid and sensational style. In the first chapter alone there were passages about the girl's father, an able LORD JUSTICE ROSKILL, con-LORD JUSTICE ROSKILL, con-curring, said that he regarded the case as of very wide general im-portance. No one who had read both the allegedly offending pas-sages and the affidavits, including a statement by the girl's mother put in during the appeal, could feel other than sympathy with the mother and stepfather and appre-ciate their natural anxiety over the possible effects on the girl of publication of the stories, even and intelligent man, but events of a depraced character were des-cribed. It was alleged—and it could hardly be refused — that though those passages had not come to the girl's notice, there was a risk that if the book was published they might do, and that there would be a real risk of grave psychological damage resulting publication of the stories, even assuming them to be true, about a father whom she was brought up to respect. To that one had to add the uncontradicted evidence Proceedings were therefore taken to make her a ward of court and to restrain the publication of those passages. It was said that it would cost only £180 to publish the book without them, and that on balance that ought to of the doctor and someone who of the doctor and sometime who had had the girl in her care at a boarding school as to the likely psychological damage it would cause if the information came to her knowledge.

her knowledge.

His Lordship ventured to think that it was likely, having regard to the girl's education and environment and the profession of her mother and stepfather, that if the book was released and the injunction lifted she would in some way or another become aware of the coments. So in one sense it was a strong case for the parents legitimately seeking the protection afforded by the court to a ward.

But that was not the only issue.

were likely to follow an injunction should be granted.

That was what Mr Justice Latey had done. He had reviewed the authorities showing the wide jurisdiction inherited from the Court of Chancery to protect wards and said it was wide enough to enable him to protect the child.

While the invisibilities of the child. a ward.

But that was not the only issue.
There was in this country—and it was right that it should be restated in clear terms at this stage of the twentieth century—a right of publication, and that right was at least as important as the right of individuals in particular cases, whether wards or adults. Of course that right of publication had long been circumscribed. Though fought for throughout the centuries and developed as one While the jurisdiction as to wards had been regarded as in theory unlimited, there was strangely enough no case anywhere strangery enough no case anywhere near the present which had ever come before the courts. The nearest was Iredell v Iredell ((1884) 1 TLR 261), where a father thought a young lady of 16 was in danger of being induced to adopt the Roman Catholic faith and for her protection he made her a ward of court and obtained an injunction to restrain a priest from trying to convert her. His Lordship did not know that that case would be decided in that way today; but it was an instance of the width of the court's jurisdiction in relation

centuries and developed as one of our liberties it was confined of our liberties it was confined in the eighteenth century by statutes, some still on the statute book. Those liberties had also been circumscribed by the Official Secrets Act, the statute prohibiting the publication of certain forms of legal proceedings involving children, and also the common law restriction such as the currently controversial tonic of contempt of court. There was also the law of defamation and the law of obscenty—another controversial topic.

Within certain limits, however, there was the freedom to publish, though possibly at the peril of having to pay damages for defa-mation or being prosecuted for ubsceptty.

obscenty.

The passages in question appeared in a preliminary chapter in a serious study of the depravity brought about by war. Opinions might differ on questions of taste, as they always would; but subjective judgments on taste had no place in the courts. The sole question was whether or not the interests of this girl should be allowed to prevail over the greater interests of freedom of publication.

It was sought to impose the It was sought to impose the restriction on publication by wardship proceedings. His Lordship agreed with Mr Anns that there was no limit to that jurisdiction; the question was whether it should be exercised on the present facts. His Lordship also agreed that the mere fact that the courts had never before stretched out so far was no reason in itself for not was no reason in itself for not doing so in a suitable case; and there were a number of instances in the past 50 years where the arm of the law had been stretched to

protect infants, one being the of blood tests and another the publication to parents of contial reports made by welfare cers. But his Lordship coul-accept the argument that by use of the wardship jurisd the interests of this child s be allowed to prevail over wider interests of public whatever might be thought the merits or demerits of passages objected to.

Mr Anns had stressed the that the stepfather had offer pay for the deletion of the ages objected to. His Loudid not believe the right wrongs of the present case s be determined on whether it be difficult or easy to tak
the offending passages. The
should be decided on
principle.

gated powers and duties o Crown as parens patriae there to protect the young a injury of whatever kind from ever source so that if X w peril it was wholly right proper to invoke those power protect her

His Lordship thought that words were much too wide was tantamount to saying the interests were involved interests were paramount must always be preserved.

The court had to do a bala act. His Lordship had atter to do that, and he thought the balance came heavily in fi

of the appellants and agains respondents.
SIR JOHN PENNYCUICE, concurring, said that he has doubt that the court when cising the parental powers of Crowd had, at any rate in theory, a jurisdiction to do ever it considered conductive vectors of a ward. For the welfare of a ward. By practice the jurisdiction was I ually exercised within liming. It would be quite impossibly protect a ward against every which might do it harm jurisdiction must be exercised to the rich with the protect of the protect o with due regard to the righ contract or otherwise-

oy contract or otherwise—an "outside parties" his Lor meant those not in a family personal relationship to the same the court must hold a prhalance between the protectic the ward and the rights of outside in particular the sind. parties, in particular the rigi-free publication enjoyed by side parties, and should hes long before innertering with

particular right.

His Lordship was not prep to say that the court would n interfere with publication of ter concerning a ward. In cerexceptional circumstances it cand should do so. But the and should do so. But the would hardly ever prevent precation of a book merely—and stressed merely—on the gro that it would bring to the kr ledge of a ward unpleasant i about its parents and that: the ward.

The judge had not sufficie emphasized the limitatious wi which the court should exer its jurisdiction. No decision been cited in which the court interfered in comparable circ stances affecting the rights; outside parties : nor in his L ship's own experience in parable application ever it made—much less succeeded.
His Lordship said that section frie Guardianship of Minors.
1971, had been the subject of the company authority. The words "the tody or upbringing of a min-did not cover the issue in present case, namely, the purcation of the material complain of. Neither the rustody hor upbringing of the ward was question within the meaning section 1. If they were, the cawould be bound by statute to the welfare of the mi gard "the wellare of the mias the first and paramount csideration". The wording of ftion 1 threw considerable light
the sphere within which the of
in practice should exercise,
jurisdiction. The circumstance the present case were very from warranting an interfere with the freedom of publication loyed by the appellants. While too sympathized with the pare that was not enough. One co

rhat was not enough. One co only hope that the child would fact suffer no harm from the formation which his Lords feared would almost inevitation from the book.

Leave to appeal was refus.
Counsel for the appellants untitook that publication would take place before Monday, at the court had been told that was hoped to take steps to remain the child to the country or out the child to the country or out the jurisdiction if any public resulted from the court's decisions.

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A brilliant mind Francis Galton as the founder of a cult. He was in a sense an embodi-

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What Adam Smith is to economics, Francis Galton is to sociology. Herbert Spencer was philosopher compared to Galton, who was above all a measurer and experimenter. He was always measuring eventsthe amplitude of his shivers when in rigor, even the bore-dom of audiences at the British Association. The modern sociologist owes the concept of the questionnaire to Galton, who used it to provide data for his study of hereditary talent, whence burgeoned his theory of eugenics, a word he added to

Since measurement is the basis of science, Galton's application of it to human physique, identity and "faculty"—ie, to general and special mental abilities—makes him the pioneer who put present-day academic psychology and sociology on its statistical path, notably fore-shadowing the IQ test (his own IQ has from his early letters been calculated at between 160 and 200). Like not a few of his successors Galton fell for rather tentative hypotheses and ended

ment of his most famous concept -the hereditary factors which produced the "gifted family" in which Victorian middle class society (numbering only a few hundred thousands) was oppor-tunely rich. A convinced evolutionist and a close and corresponding kinsman of Charles Darwin, Galton supposed that homo sapiens' next challenge was to take conscious control of his own further evolution; a possibility encapsulated in his calculation that whereas it takes parents of high quality to 35 produce six high quality sons. it takes 5,000 low grade parents to do the same. Deduction: breed from and improve the best tested stock Method: by spending greater resources of education and welfare on them than on the run-of-the-mill material (and preventing degenerates from breeding at all). Galton in effect created the Eugenics Society to persuade the nation to adopt this social policy (it only to meet its growing imperial responsibilities). He died in 1911, aged 89, never to know that social policy would evolve on exactly opposite lines: to sustain the disadvan-taged, the mediocre and the

downright inadequate at the ex-

pense of the gifted.

when the non-specialist could psychology, anthropology, criminology, rotary steam engines, wave measurement and the telotype universe (now under fresh experiment). It was a period when Britain led briefly science, though unequipped with scientific universities. Yet he was not just an

test specimen.

Their Lordships certified on Tuesday, on an application adjourned from Friday that a point of law of general public importance was involved in their decision, and resulted laws. importance was involved in their decision and granted leave to appeal to Leste Walker, a police officer, who unsuccessfully appealed against the dismissal by Oxfordshire justices sitting at Phame of informations charging David Thomas Lovell with failing David Thomas Lovell with failing to provide a breath test specimen, contrary to section 8(3) of the Road Traffic Act, 1972, and driving with blood-alcohol concentration above the prescribed limit, contrary to section 6(1). Mr Lovell had been arrested under section 8(5), for falling to provide the breath test specimen, not under section 8(4) for having given a positive test. Mr Donald Farquharson, QC, Mr Raymond Sears and Mr Anthony Scrivener for the prosecutor; Mr David Barnard for the defendant. sionate was dispassionate; his energy went into investigation. We are indebted to Mr Forrest for bringing back into modern purview this brilliant mind

uniformed police officer. As the defendant got out of the car the officer saw that he was unsteady on his feet and he smelt of drink. The officer required him to provide a breath test specimen "by one breath of between 10 and 20 seconds" duration and the bag must be fully inflated."

The defendant took the test using the Alcotest equipment. He attempted to inflate the bag in two attempts each lasting four sec-

attempted to inflate the bag in two attempts each lasting four seconds. The bag did not inflate properly and was not half inflated. At all times the officer acted hona fide and honestly believed that the defendant had made no serious attempt to inflate the bag. Accordingly the officer arrested him for failing to provide the specimen. specimen.

specimen.

If one stopped there it was difficult to see anything wrong in the officer's conduct. However, in the dark the officer had not noticed, as apparently was the fact, that although there had been only those two small puffs into the bag, the crystals had turned green. The explanation might be that the defendant had no less that 205 milligrammes of alcohol in 100 millilitres of blood at the time.

Approaching the matter free of authority his Lordship would have thought that one could hardly find a clearer case of failing to pro-vide a specimen of breath because the system on which the Alcorest device worked was that by blow-ing up the bag completely the suspect inserted into it a measured quantity of breath the effect of which on the reagant was then studied. If the volume of breath inserted was not sufficient to fill the bag a wrong quantity of breath had been used.

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The LORD CHIEF JUSTICE, the officer in the pesent instance should have been entitled to say that it was a case in which no stevenson and Mr Justice Welford that it was a case in which no shreath specimen was provided, said that early on New Year's Day the defendant was driving a car that the officer honestly between the defendant was not trying to inflate the hag.

The difficulty in the way of police was R v Holdh ([1973] WLR 127), in which the appell, had been told to inflate the t $t_{2,2-1}$ fully. He falled, but the office Toylobserved at once that the cryst, had game green; in other wor had gone green; in other wor the test had a positive rest Nevertheless he was arrested: this Act to providing a specimiot breath for a breath test of references to providing a spe-men thereof in sufficient quant to enable that test to be carried thereof

His Lordship thought that ston 12(3) meant references to full bag as opposed to a partia full bag. But the author of Holdi's case was that, if t crystals numed green, hower small the quantity of breath w caused to go into the bag, the was sufficient. The position were further clarified by R v Thor. (Thomas) (1974) RTR 465), whe it was held that, in decidi whether or not a suspect be whether or not a suspect he failed to provide a specime, within section 8(5), the test we objective and no question of the view formed by the officer or resonantides could arise; the so question was whether the specime was a sufficient specimen.

In the present case the crysta went green and the test was po-tive. Their Lordships had to treus, themselves as bound by authori-to say that that meant that the was a specimen of breath sufficient for the purposes of the te and the correct police procedu was to seek to arrest the deferdant, not under section \$(4). There had bet an adequacy of breath for a nos an adequacy of breath for a pos tive test and, therefore, not failure. Reluctantly the appeal should !

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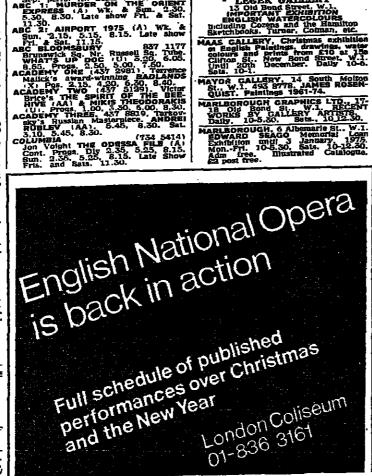
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Sandra Browne

Barber of Seville Coliseum

Stanley Sadie It is good to be back in the Coliseum again after its six weeks of darkness. The production chosen for the reopening-or perhaps it was selected

by force of circumstances—was Douglas Craig's old one of *The Barber*. It was never much more than a serviceable production, with its inclination towards music-hall levels of humour that at least it usually humour; but at least it usually had pace and vitality. This revival, perhaps not sur-

prisingly, seems a bit dispirited. Perhaps some aspects of it are under-rehearsed; certainly the orchestra sounded thin and uncertain as it embarked on the overture. In spite of having an experienced Rossimi conductor flect her voice, to suggest the like Bryan Backwill in charge, sly, wilful, amorous girl with there was little of the proper the curl of a phrase or a nicely

Ruddigore Sadler's Wells

Alan Blyth Ruddigore is badly in need of an overhaul. The bold, bad plays itself. The targets for its horrors are not easily comprehorrors are not easily compre-hended today, and mean little to us when they are under-stood; but a resourceful mind might find something fresh in the weaker of Gilbert's lines and make the most of the best, among them those inconsequen-tial outbursts of Mad Margaret, while restoring to the quite

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The continued fascination of Elgar's symphonies, perhaps especially of the First, which was the main work in Tuesday's tures of the contemporary musi-cal scene. And yet there is

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lightness or zip or rhythmic rounded diminuendo; spruceness about the perform-

ance.

Nor was it specially distinguished vocally. The most interesting impersonation was Sandra Browne's Rosina. Is she, I wonder, miscast; or is it that she is not yet used to this big theatre (it was her debut there)? At any rate, she started off by singing almost everything very loudly. She has a big voice, with plenty of richness and colour and evenness when she is singing out; and when she is singing out; and she sang the part at the original mezzo pitch, having a little trouble at the very bottom but sailing comfortably up to the

top notes.

What Miss Browne apparently lacks for this part is an ability to phrase the music with real delicacy or subtlety. A Rosina should be able to in-

powerful scene of the ghosts' appearance something of what must have been its original dramatic frisson.

I already hear the sound of

the traditionalists' guns at any tampering with their precious routines. At least they cannot barons have too long been the piece as it was presented under the sole rule of D'Oyly on Tuesday; there were many Carte, and their housing, if not empty seats. An imaginative precisely shabby, looks decidedly tired. The work is not and oil some of the stiffening one of the canon that exactly joints of the company's efforts. satire, melodrama and Gothic zip and taumess than some of horrors are not easily compretue earlier Savoy operas, less heart and sheer substance than some of the later ones. On the other hand, it has an endearing

character of its own, a bit olde-worlde with its ballads, gavottes and madrigals, but full of grace Royston Nash conducted the score deftly, but the cast on the whole lacked those attributes Elgar's public manner consider-

ably mellowed by a vital streak of introspection, but also, per-haps more to the point, the public manner itself proves to be not really that at all, but a crucial side to the composer himself, from which he seems able to draw a practically end-less supply of unforgettable melodies, all no doubt somewhat concert, is one of the odder fea-tures of the contemporary musi-reduce the freshness of each

tures of the contemporary musical scene. And yet there is certainly no myth about it, as Sir Charles Groves proved once again in a consistently gripping and occasionally inspired performance with the Royal Philharmonic Orchestra.

The reason for the apparent contradiction is, of course, that the music is not quite so exclusively pompous and circumstantial as it might seem on first acquaintance. Not only is reduce the freshness of each as it turns up.

The best performance, therefore, is always likely to be the one which holds back to some extent on the Edwardian panoply and hangs at least a small question-mark over those long ingly problemate tunes; and this was hoven's cess. By no stretch of the imagination was it a blazing ing ofter matter a virtuoso one, although ingular with, for ing subjection.

enough was made of the quick silver ingredients.

But by keeping the flame relatively low, Sir Charles was also able to exercise an unusual

though she throws off most of

the fioritura quite neatly she does not make it express any-

thing. She moves on the stage with elegance and smoothness.

but scarcely like the spritely girl ("not yet 16", Marcellina tells us) of which the music

Anthony Roden, handicapped

by a cold, made a dry and rather

harsh-toned Almavina; under-

in voice, was John Kitchiner.

Eric Shilling gave one of his

usual accomplished, well-rimed comic performances as Bartolo, though doing less with his voice

than he often does; Harold Blackburn was the Basilio, a per-

formance so broadly comic as to

lean towards coarseness. But that is a direction in which this production too often inclines.

should speak.

measure of control over the internal relationships of pulse, dynamic and so forth. To an exceptional degree, we were made to think of this as a onemovement symphony (which in a sense it is), a Heldenleben with, for a change, an interesting subject. The result may not have been white hot, but it was

We had already heard a slightly rusty Vaughan Williams slightly rusty Vaughan Williams
Tallis Fantasia, and a surprisingly prosaic reading of Beethoven's C minor Piano Concerto
by Alfred Brendel. Classical, in
the sense of uninflected, playing often avoids dullness by a
whisker. For once Brendel mis-

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raw edge of passion glimpsed through their cloudy and sultry langour, the anguished ennu which haunts the literature of this period, and if she was less this period, and if she was less happy in the raucous fairground blare of Chevenux de Bois she characteristically found an affecting touch for its magically idiosyncratic close. Miss Hooper did better still in Schumann, conveying a nice sense of blithe indifference to all but love in Volksliedchen and showing an engaging freshness and sparkle in Castelnuovo-Tedesco's slight but charming Shakespeare songs. Paul Hamburger accompanied her capably throughout. her capably throughout. Betho Davezac (guitar) revelled

in the opportunity for an aston-ishing range of colours and effects in Leo Brower's La Espiral Eterna, perfectly capturing the contrasts between its sinister arabesques and violent interjections. Three Villa-Lobos etudes were also played as to the manner born, and in his Elizabethan group Mr Davezac was unusually subtle and sugges-tive. One felt deliciously like an eavesdropper on magically whispered and very private confi-

Bryce Morrison

Given a sufficiently sensitive performance, Debussy's Ariettes oubliées rarely fail to cast their spell, and Patricia Hooper's cello tone, the allegro served his spell, and Patricia Hooper's warmly sympathetic account did much to compensate for her early technical insecurity in Britten's arrangement of Purcell's Sacred Songs.

This gifted young soprano rarely allowed one to forget the raw edge of passion glimpsed cello tone, the auegro served insecurity equally well, but there was stant musical interest here. There was still less in Britten's interminable unaccompanied Suite Op 72, though it was despatched with impressive technical command. One is reluctant to take issue with a debutant's programme rather than discuss his performance of it, yet it must be said that Beethoven's Varia-tions on a Theme from Mozarr's Zmberflöte are dull, too, despite intelligent phrasing and always responsive accompaniment from Philip Challis, With Schumann's Philip Challis. With Schumann's Fantasiestücke we at last had something to engage the imagination, and these were in fact done with considerable insight, especially in the way Mr Rejtö shaded his tone. There was much verve and colour, also, in Falla's Suite Populaire. Suite Populaire.

Raphael Minaskanian had a Raphael Minaskanian nau a fluent command of the notes of his ambitious programme, but his interpretative view was uncommonly one-dimensional, monochrome. In Bach's Partita No 4 his tone was often unduly hard, above all in the too-hasty Gigue, although the Sarabande's long lines gave rise to some restraint. Again, Schubert's Sonata D784 was communicative only in terms of the music's nervous impact as sound, par-ticularly loud sound. Mr Minaskanian's tone is not unsympa-thetic when soft, but in this work it too promptly hardened.

Max Harrison day's later editions.

Job the archetypal Simon character

God's Favourite Eugene O'Neill, New York

Clive Barnes

Is Job funny? Perhaps. Certainly it seems that Neil Simon thinks that the story of Job is the ultimate custard-pie joke. His new comedy, God's Favourite, at the Eugene O'Neill Theatre, bases itself on the Biblical rale with at least O'Neill Theatre, bases itself on the Biblical tale, with, at least in brief references, all those good Old Testament wars, plagues and famines. Simon's hero is 56-year-old Joseph Melvin Benjamin, a wealthy cardboard-box manu-facturer who lives in a nouveau-gothic mansion that has a string

gothic mansion that has a string of pearls in every swimming pool. We first see him roused by his burglar alarm and getof pearls in every swimming pool. We first see him roused by his burglar alarm and getting up to try and catch an intruder. He is wearing a dressing jacket with the initials "JB" embroidered upon it—shades of Archibald Macleish's rather more solemn, but hardly less laughable earlier play, JB!—and when we find at last that the intruder is a messenger from God, we all know pretty much what Job and we ourselves are in for and idly wonder who is going to need more der who is going to need more

With the story clear, it remains only to discover how clever Simon's modern variations upon his classic theme are, and what contemporary jokes and what contemporary jokes and relevancies he can extract from Job's suffering. The idea is not so unlikely. When you think back, Job, with a slow burn of pain extinguishing the natural optimism of success, is an archetypal Simon character who has turned up more than who has turned up more than once, in Plaza Suite, for example, or The Prisoner of standably perhaps, he did little with the music. The Figaro, spirited in manner but thinnish Second Avenue, Simon has a liking for comic heroes who suffer long; one day one might see him making Oedipus into a

musical. The opening is a little slow:
We meet Joe and his family,
and his loyal retainers. Much of
the humour consists in the
baffled repetition of simple phrases and the confusion of a family threatened by a burglar. At last, Joe encounters Sidney Lipton, the messenger from God. One knows he is a messenger that used to make them unique. Diction was unconscionably slack, particularly among the older hands, whose tone assalso become, well, toneless beyond what is surely passable in an opera house. Their tiredness was unduly pointed up by Judi Merri, a spry young artist, new to me, who showed in her portrayal of Mad Margaret how to find something lively and fresh to say both in her craziness and her later unavailing from God because he has a large "God" emblazoned on his sweatshirt. This epecine young man has also met the Devil and confides, "he looks just like Robert Redford—gorgeous!" Once Simon starts to expa-tiate on Job's ordeals, the play moves into action, and the comic possibilities of a pros-perous middle-class manufac-turer's being plagued by God

very soon become apparent. Job set in a world where no one is

names and television references. Simon nowadays appears to believe that you only have to mention names like Lemon Pledge or "Hollywood Squares" to raise a laugh. Well, with the unsophisticated you can, but this kind of namedropping is cheap humour, quite unworthy of our finest comic playwright. The rest of the humour is that New York wry on the rocks that Simon has practically patented for smoothness. At their best, his jokes have a kind of hilariously deadpan ecstasy and, even better, pan ecstasy and, even better, are taken from life.

likely to believe the literal realities of the story is an Old Testament tragedy become a

Having ser up the situation Simon starts letting off jokes like firecrackers. Admittedly far, far too many of these jokes

are concerned with brand names and television references.

New Yorker cartoon.

still got to get out of the theatre with an ending in its mind. This is a structural problem that is possibly insoluble — certainly Simon scarcely comes to grips with it. More than any other Simon play, God's Favourite depends heavily on its staging and setting. Michael Bennett's direction lets all God break loose. A man falls into a snow drift (offstage) the mansion collapses (on stage), and Job writhes around at the drop of a thunderbolt. Bennett keeps everything moving as merrily as a devil in hell, while William Ritman's collapsing mansion is some of the most fiendish

theatrical real estate we have seen in years. It is both beauti-ful and clever. Vincent Gardenia as the latter-day Job is masterly. Bossy, punctilious and yet, somehow, noble. He convinces us not only of his suffering (when he looks like Zero Mostel cuffering a brainstorm) but also suffering a brainstorm) but also, more difficult, of his decency-Maria Karnilova's look of pained and maternal apprehension has rarely been used better, and Terry Kiser scores insolently as the family's drunken first-born. However, Charles Nelson Reilly as the messenger played too much in messenger played too much in

one day.

A Neil Simon comedy is an annual blessing and ritual like Thanksgiving. We have, in the past, had better and, more occasionally, worse, but this will keep things going well enough until next year.—New York Times News Service.

York Times News Service.

what he is doing and his Vanya

what he is doing and his Vanya is a superb counterpart to his emotionally starved Malvolio. Much of its power lies in its silences: sitting beside Elena and allowing her languid phrases to peter out while he fixes her with an abject gaze of speechless hunger. Watching him at such moments you felt

ness and her later unavailing attempts to be Sir Despard's Uncle Vanya

meston Reid was a neat amusing Richard Dauntless, who did what he could with Gilbert's embarrassing idea of a British tar. Julia Goss sang nicely as Rose Maybud and looked suitably coy. Kenneth Sandford made up in big gestures what he missed in imposing tone. The encores went beyond the call of duty.

Uncle Vanya

The Other Place

Stratford-on-Avon

Irving Wardle

If any evidence were still needed to disprove the old rule against actors directing themselves. Nicol Williamson supplies it in this production. against actors directing them-selves. Nicol Williamson sup-plies it in this production.

Separate performances apart. it is extremely satisfying as a piece of scenic organization.
Stratford's studio theatre
couples intimate address with
a large rectangular playing area, and the production mirrors that by combining verbal speed and understatement with an expansive use of space that defines the isolation of Chekov's characters. The movement of the production is to bring them together in clusters and then scatter them back to their separate corners: sometimes rising to climaxes of simultaneous dialogue and inarticulate passion that would lose their effect in a larger theatre.

Williamson has also seized on the play's internal stylistic contrasts: allowing the second act to grow from domestic chaos into a delicate nocturne, and following that with a breezy modulation into farce in Act

As for the casting, one starts by wondering why Williamson, a natural for the wolfishly sar-donic Astrov, is playing the name part. But this actor knows

him at such moments you felt like an intruder. But if Williamson can strip off his mask he can also wear it with a triumphant flourish and when that happens Vanya unexpectedly blossoms into a comic aggressor, full of ironic beams and winks, which entirely reverses his power status in the comedy. When he finally erupts against Serevryakov the effect is volcanic and still funny.

The only trouble is that this verbal attack is so strong that the shooting which follows comes as an anticlimax.

Michael Aldridge's Security

Michael Aldridge's Serevry-akov, fleeing from him in gouty terror, distinguishes precisely between the old man's peevish private behaviour and his unctuous lecturing manner. There is also an interesting Sonya from Jane Lapotaire, so busy as to be almost invisible and clearly out to reform Astrov if she gets a chance. With Patrick Stewart, weighing up his chances with those gimlet eyes and fingering the chains of Elena's swing in the first scene, she clearly has no hope.

The production is fully in touch with the famous Chekovian values, but it also has the comic detachment to show these people from the outside.

Hans Andersen

Palladium

Charles Lewsen

Rumour bad it that the Palladium was not offering a pantomime this year; but this is none other than our old friend Dick Whittington, the lad of humble origins making good in the big city, complete good in the big city, complete with transformation scene, the stagecoach turning into a schooner on the journey to Copen—I beg its pardon—Wonderful, Wonderful Pastel Shaded Copenhagen, where chiselled-featured dockers swig invisible lager out of pewter mugs as they dance with their birds outside the cardboard hotel where, despite the angle hotel where, despite the angle of her hips, the proprietress is as wholesome, if not as real, as Aggie Weston.

as Aggie Weston.

Though short of comics, the panto does boast a dame: Lila Kaye as a vicar's wife desperate to bed the principal boy, Hans (Tommy Sceele). Daringly, it gives us an ending that is not unambiguously happy: while Dick gets Alice Fitzwarren the Lord Mayor's daughter, Hans does not get Jenuy Lind the does not get Jenny Lind the Swedish Nightingale. But he does win the hearts of countless readers, in a steelblue a newly repaired follow-spot which, we gather, is he has tried it on.

some kind of compensation; so we all go out happy, humming the tunes we came in humming (this is the show of the movie, with Mr Steele replacing the saccharine of Danny Kaye with the treacle pud of olde England).

We are offered as much insight into the creative processes of the lonely, introverted Andersen as this house normally shows us of the aldermanic cares of Whittington; and although it only plays 21 hours, this attenuated day-trip to the Land of Winsome Smiles hangs as heavy as the actual visit of Andersen to Charles Dickens.

to Charles Dickens.

I found five minutes of Mr
Steele's smile more than
enough on Tuesday, and took to
speculating on what police messages would be relayed to us
via the radio aerial trailing
from the seat of his denim
trousers (the dialogue comes
out of loudspeakers that make
the bero and heroine on opposite sides of the stage sound as ite sides of the stage sound as if endes of the stage sound as if they are in each other's arms, which in this chaste musical is never the case). However, he sings a vivid "Ugly Duckling".

Freddie Carpenter's directions of the case of the ca

tion allows Milo O'Shea, as a down-at-heel (or, rather, sole) pianist, to praise the feel of a newly repaired shoe before

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The consequences of Crown Agents' operations in the money and property markets

House of Commons

MRS. JUDHH HART, Minister of Overseas Development (Lanark, Lab), in a statement about the financial position of the Crown Agents, said: The House will recall that on July 1 I amounced my arrangements for the restructuring of the Crown Agents. There is now a board of Crown Agents including up to seven part-time members with a full-time chairman. After discussion with the new chairman I agreed as an interim measure to appoint only three part-time Crown Agents in view of the immediate and pressing problems facing him.

m. While continuing the practice of non-interventon in the activities of the Crown Agents on behalf of their overseas principals, I reserve the right to give the board direc-tives, and indeed have already done so in relation to their own account; business. account business.

The new chairman of the Crown Agents, Mr John Cuckney, who took up his appointment ou October 1, appointed Coopers and Lybrand as consultating accountants to restore the present finan-

tants to review the present finan-cial position and the future finan-cial requirements of the Crown Agents and their subsidiary com-panies. Morgan Grenfell and Company Limited have since been appointed to advice on general

a decline in the market value of some of the assets of the Crown Agents has led to an immediate problem of reserves and liquidity. reclist: writing down of uset value in the accounts, and to the need to ensure financial backing

repriate to operations involv-some 1800m (excluding funds some 1200m managed for princi-The Government have agreed to provide \$85m, subject to parlia-mentary authority, which will be recoverable, by direction from future corrings or appreciation of assets. Standby facilities have been arranged by the Bank of England.

Safeguarded

These arrangements will demon-strate beyond all doubt that the Government stand behind the Covernment stand beamd the Crown Agents so that the position of all depositors is fully safe-guarded; that the confidence of their overseas principals is fully maintained; and that the important services provided to the principals are continued. In the light of the history of the in the ign of the ansory of the relationship between Government and the Crown Agents in the last four years, involving as it has my own initiation of laquiries in 1970 followed by the Stevenson report to my predecessor (Mr Richard Wood), which was unpublished, Wood), which was unpublished, and the inquiries made by a Select Committee of this House, MPs will clearly want to know how the circumstances necessitating this financial support have arisen.

I have asked the chairman of the Crown Agents to send me a full report on this, and I shall keep the House informed. Thereafter I shall consider if any further action is necessary.

I have also asked to be informed term commitments of the Crown Agents, including certain property (Islington, South and Finsbury, investments in Australia, and of any suggestions which the new board may have for the organization and management of their for a long time in the light of the

The EARL of CROMARTIE (C) opened a debate on the need for devolution of government to Scot-

land.
He said that no matter how conscientious Scottish MPs were, they could bring an aura of Whitehall and party dogma to Scotland.
Recently there had been the appalling mishandling of the teacher problem and the desperate plight of

blem and the desperate pught ut Scottish farmers. All those things could be better handled by an elected Scottish government with, perhaps, a Scottish minister of agriculture. Scotland should have a consider

able say in the allocation of profits from the oil off its coast. There was suspicion that the greater part of it would be spent in the south for things like a Channel tunnel or

for things like a Channel tunnel or third London airport.

The vast majority of people in Scotland wished to be united under the Crown. But (he said) we should also be free to run our own show in cooperation with our English cousins, who should help and not hinder.

and not hinder.

LORD CROWTHER-HUNT, Minister of State for Education and Science, said the Government were pressing on with all the detailed work needed to implement the proposals in the White Paper on devolution, published in September. The proposals it made were far-reaching, and amounted to a more radical constitutional change in the relationships between Scotland and the rest of the Uniked Kingdom than anything that had been known since 1707.

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The proposed assembly should have legislative powers and assume many of the executive functions of the Scottish Office and of the nominaced authorities now operating within its boundaries. It was a vital and fundamental principle to maintain the economic and political unity of the United Kingdom.

The Government were moving as quickly as possible to implement the White Paper and to set up directly elected assemblies in Scotland and Wales. There were formidable problems to be solved before it was possible to proceed to legislation. There was the question of the range of legislative powers to be devolved to Scotland.

There were also enormously different the second of the solved to Scotland.

be devolved to Scotland.

There were also enormously difficult and complex problems to be solved in the area of finance and economic management. The finan-

unity of UK vital

I have reserved the right to direct that moneys now being advanced shall be repaid from tenized by at least one Conserva-Crown Agents' resources in the course of any reconstruction of the

course of any reconstruction of the business.

The House will, I know, appreciate that the present chairman, Mr John Cuckney, and the three members of his board, Mr John Goble, Mr John Gordon and Mr Leslie Kirkley, have had only a very short time to essess the postion and report to the Government. On taking office they were confronted with most difficult circumstances, as the House will clearly understand.

This situation, which I am sorry to report to the House, is one

to report to the House, is one which we are seeking to correct. I am immensely grateful to them and would like to take this opportunity to tell the House that I have ete confidence in them complete confidence in them. Their prime concern, as it is mine, and, I am sure, that of the House too, will be that the Crown Agents, with their long history of service and capability, are able to continue to provide for their overseas principals the full range of their services.

Terms and conditions

MR RIPPON, Opposition spokes-man on foreign affairs (Herham, C)—We welcome the Govern-ment's determination to maintain full confidence in the Crown Agents. The statement says parlia-mentary authority will be required for the £35m. Does Mrs Hart anticipate there will be an oppor-tunity for debate and a full discus-sion?

sion?

Can she say a little bit more about the terms and conditions on which the £85m is to be provided and what is meant by the phrase "recoverable by direction"? Is it really to be a loan or grant or what? hat ? We wekome her statement about

the confidence we should have in the new chakeman of the board. He has had great experience in public-service and outside and we fully

MRS HART—The position is that the money will be advanced to the Crown Agents but, given the reconstruction of the business that they would contemplate carrying out, there are clearly possibilities that much of this can be recoverable as their assets increase in

hanges. Therefore it is a little flexible we would hope there would be ibilities of recovering some of Nevertheless it is not precisely a loan but a grant which we hope will be recoverable. (Conser-vative interruptions.)

Conservative MPs must understand that this is a situation which has been in the making for at least four to five years and is not so easily recoverable by one single stroke of the pen on one day.

This is the arrangement we have made and on the whole it is the best arrangement to be arrived at. The question of a debate will be a matter for the House. I shall be reporting further. Clearly there will be need to consider what kind of inquiry should take place. I hope the House would have a little patients about this because clearly overseas principals are in-volved and, we would need to con-

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cial arrangements would clearly be of fundamental importance.

Another major area of difficulty was the possible trade and industry functions which it might be possible to devolve to the Scottish assembly. There were enormous complexities in that area and the Government were proceeding as quickly as they could.

There was the question of what

quickly as they could.

There was the question of what forms of executive would be associated with the assembly. Should it follow the Westminster system or should it be patterned more on a local authority type committee system.

tem? There was the question of the relationships between the Scot-tish assembly and Westminster. We are confident (he said) that all the problems can be solved, but we want to be sure we get the right solution.

LORD THURSO (L) said the

LORD THURSO (L) said the assembly must be clearly seen by Scotsmen to be capable of conducting and controlling Scotland's desciny. It must be clearly seen to be in the hands of Scotsmen and not to be subject to overriding pressures from Westminster. It must be capable of shaping Scotland's way of life.

You cannot give effective power to the assembly (be said) unless you give it power to raise and spend money.

LORD GLENKINGLAS (C) speaking from the Opposition from bench, said there was a view that Scotland's interests were not properly looked after by Westminster.

minster.

There is no single part of the House of Commons (he said) which is more boring and more ineffective than the Scottish Grand Committee and the Scottish standing committees. It spends longer achieving less than any other committee of the House. Even the Scottish journalists have practically given up going because they cannot stand it any longer.

it any longer.

They had to give the assembly enough power to make it an effective house, and to make it feet that it was really achieving what the Scottish people wanted.

It it does not have considerable power over the spending of money (he said) it will fall, because no-body will think it is useful and nobody of any merit or ability would join in it.

Boring committee

an about the form it should

collapse of finance, production and saving

MR HEATH (Berley, Sidcup, C), opening a debate on the economy, said the extreme gravity of the crisis which faced the country had in the last fortught become appallingly clear. Every indicator pointed to the fact that it moved become warre dicator pointed to the fact that it would become worse.

The Government's policies were immensely damaging to industrial life and to the economic prospects of the country. The Chancelor's mustion policies, the Government's policies for public ownership and for intervention, and the constituting renegorisations in

tenzed by at least one Conserva-tive MP as a phoney campaign.

How much of the loss that has been sustained on the investment side of the Crown Agents' business is attributable to the fall in the value of shares of the First Nation-al Etimore Composition a cremman.

which is not unexpected, is that the Crown Agents did have con-siderable investments in property and the decline in property values over the last year has intensified the problems that might otherwise controls any organization that put a great deal of money into prop-

erty.

This is a matter which is contained in the report which I have had from the chairman of the

Crown Agents and further reports I hope to make available, at least in summary, will indicate this clearly.

As to the particular member of the staff of the Crown Agents to whom Mr Cunningham referred, he will appreciate that this is perhaps better not discussed in the Harm

inquiry and whatever form that inquiry and whatever form that inquiry takes, it might well be an appropriate subject for that.

This is (she added later) a very unfortunate report to have so make to the House and it follows a series of events, a history of some years.

I think we are now driven the right.

I think we are now doing the right-thing and I am certain that the duty of the Government is to give additional backing to the Crown-Agents because of their importance and value; the name of Britain is involved and we must therefore do this.

SIR BERNARD BRAINE (South-

Six BERNARD BRAINE (Source East Essex, C)—There are some MPs on this side—I was the chairman of the select committee which inquired into this—who were andous about the financial activities of the Crown Agents precisely hardens they are access the smooth

because they cut across the superby, unique record of service to the Crown Agents' principals in the world and to the British economy. I welcome, although with some sadness, the statement the minister has made. At any stage have any of the principals have getting of the

the principals been critical of the conduct of the Crown Assents in regard to the conduct of their international business?

MRS HART—The answer to the last question is "No". The over-seas principals still have every confidence in the Crown Agents; What we are talking about is the consequence of operations which were harm in the money and property.

begun in the money and property markets, which left undisturbed the complete efficiency and good faith of the operations of the Crown Agents in procurement ser-vices which is the real basis of their activities.

known to Mr

MR JAY (Battersea, North, Lab) saked the Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs in what respect the Government proposed to integrate the United Kingdom more closely with EEC policies in January, 1975.

MR CALLAGHAN—Certain transitional changes occur on January 1, 1975, under the Treaty of Accession. Some tariff changes

of Accession. Some tariff changes, designed to improve the Community's general scheme of preferences also take effect on jamary 1.

MR JAY—As Mr Callaghan is a great defender of his party election manifesto, is he aware the manifesto pledged that during the process of renegotiation there would be no further move towards integration particularly as regards food subsides? It is outer inconsistent with

dies? It is quite inconsistent with that pledge for the Government to introduce an order, which we have not even debated, to raise new food taxes and levels on January 1.

Callaghan

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Some sadness

strip and for intervention, and the continuing renegoriations in Europe had created uncertainty and destroyed confidence. It would require an extraordinary effort by the Bridsh people to restore confidence in the economy as well as in the stability of the country's society. (Conservative cheers.) Agents?

Did the Government of the day ever give the Crown Agents approval to go into this business of investment by companion with their traditional buying and selling role, which continues to have the full support of everyone in the We cannot expect a national response from the British people (he seid) unless the British people are told the plain hard truth about

the present situation.

The Government had always been behindhend with the truth on inflation, on the threatening unemployment, on the breakdown in industry, and on the real need for conservation measures in oil. cern about what the position of the cern apour was the position of the Crown Agents was and what their involvement was particularly in the money and property markets. It cannot give a procise answer as to the involvement of a particular

Two mouths after an election in which they were told everything would get better Britain faced the it ever rate of inflation, with casts of still worse to come, worst ever balance of trade deficit, worst ever current account deficit, worst ever rate for sterling and the collapse of the stock mar-ket, which was at its lowest level for 20 years.

The Government were presiding

The Government were presiding over and hastening the decay, destruction, and complete collapse of the normal mechanism of production, finance, and saving. Financial institutions were finding fewer credit worthy clients to lend to. The real rate of return was still a negative one. These were the effects of inflation at the rate of 20

per cent. There were many forces which made the current wage inflation worse. Stage Three had been abandoned. In the new year there would be greater pressures on negotiators to press for higher wages, interim agreements; and anticipation of prior rises, as the too oling to a pragreements which topoling up arrangements which broke the 12 months rule, and there were wage settlements in National Institute report had said.

MR FOOT, Secretary of State for Employment (Ethw Vale, Lab), said the statement of the National Institute on this point was misleading. It was untrue that any such industrial arrangements would be within the guidelines nor were settlements being made on that basis. K (be added) Mr Heath gives currency to this he might encourage people to try to get settlements on that basis. (Labour cheers and Conservative protests.) MR HEATH—I appreciate the minister's point. In no way would I wish to emulate his own conduct

when in opposition. (Conservative MR FOOT—That statement by the National Institute is wrong. They suggested that such industrial arrangements would be within the guidelines. It is unirue. I hope therefore that Mr Heath, hering been given the facts, would withdraw that statement and not give. further currency to it. (Labour

MR HEATH—I do not propose to follow the course Mr Foot followed in opposition of inciting every major wage claim in sight. (Conservative cheers and Labour

The institute's report suggested there were large wage increases which could not be justified under which could not be justified under the social contract other than that they were authopating the future. He did not see how any of these large awards could be justified except that people were trying to get in before a wage freeze or anticipated rises in prices. The in-stitute pointed out that by doing this they were compounding infi-ation. The minister was completely ineffective in trying to restrain such awards.

MR FOOT—I repeat that that statement by the National Institute is false and misleading. I trust that Mr Heath, having had the faces pointed out to him, will now refuse to continue giving it credence. It is untrue that settlements are being made on that basis.

MR HEATH—Mr Foot will have to deal with the facts of the case and explain how these massive awards can be justified. (Conservative cheers.) They are leading to increased inflation. increased inflation.

There was no time to be lost if the Government were to have any chance of mastering inflation through a voluntary policy or an alternative statutory policy. But what the Conciliation and Arbitration Service did—their whole philosophy—was to secure industrial peace. It was prepared to do so at

neers.) Re encouraged those who were in militant groups to make entreme demands of all kinds. Arbitration without principles could not be an effective means of dealing with

There might be many fundamental changes necessary in the industrial and economic spheres. But the fundamental change to a socialist state slege economy was not the change the country wanted. (Conservative cheers.)

In the October election, the Labour Party bound themselves in no circumstances to have an incomes policy requiring statutory backing. Are we still to assume (he said)

smootnement we have had about wage increases, and the Government taking to action of any kind? In this case, this Government are heading for catastropte. (Loud Conservative theory.)

There were those who ead the Government must introduce a freeze. He hoped they would recognize the immense difficulties of going for a straight freeze, but above all that they would recognize that any action of that kind required at a later period a process of getting out of a freeze. This was one of the major problems which faced an economy. It could be done with considerable flexibility, but the difficulties were great. one wan considerable nemously ut the difficulties were great. They had to thresh out a pro gramme of measures which ought to be agreed by all parties. The Opposition were prepared to co-operate where action was taken to save the mixed economy.

They would ell have to agree to cut the massive borrowing require-ment which the Chancellor had embarked on. Quite spart from pay increases or subsidies, there had been an increase of £550m in real been an increase of £550m in real terms expenditure. The Govern-ment were responsible for this. Although it was tempting for the Opposition to make capital out of cuts, if the January White Peper on public expenditure followed a sound strategy to bring public expenditure under control, the Opposition would support the Chancellor.

MR HEALEY, Chancellor of the Exchequer—The increase in the estimates published the other day arises from increases in pensions, housing and threshold payments in the public sector, for which his party was responsible.

MR HEATH—It was the Prime Minister who pressed me consu-tently when I was in office to introduce threshold payments. Mr Healey ought not to try to shift MR HAROLD WILSON, Prime

Minister (Huyton, Lab)—I accept what he says about threshold pay-ments. In real terms, the whole of the increase is due to pensions and housing. Mr Heath condemned in-creases in real terms; what is he attacking—pensions or housing? ettacking—pensions o Which would he cut?

MR HEATH—Mr Wilson is try-ing to change the question. These increases, which are in seal terms, are the result of Government Far too little was being done about saving the use of energy in industry. The Conservative Government's action last December had shown that industry would dis-

off.

He did not believe that Britain could be self-supporting in oil by 1980, as was originally intended. To be self-supporting by 1985 would be a remarkable achieve-

The response required was a national response and one of indi-vidual as well as corporate effort the length and breadth of the country, a response of prepared-ness to forgo in the short term to ensure longer term interests. At this moment the British peo-ple were prepared to make just such a national response to a national economic crisis. It was because the Government so far had failed to acknowledge this crisis or take the necessary measures to stir the nation that they would vote against them tonight. (Loud. Conservative cheers.)

Government hastening the Nation must be fitter not fatter with leaner, efficient economy

MR HEALEY, Chencellor of the effects of the slowdown in world Exchequer (Leeds, East, Lab), said activity. It was all the more imports was with a certain diffidence cant to sim at markets which that he intervened in what was offered the prospect of rapidly clearly a two-day Conservative growing demand and those markets clearly a two-day Conservative party selection conference. (Labour cheers and Conservative cries of "Cheap")

The outhook had darkened a good deal even in the five weeking since the Budget debate. No one denied the world was in a recession and the question was whether it moved from recession fatto slump. In any case it appeared possible that in 1975 world output and trade might not grow at all and recovery could be possponed until 1976. If this proved to be the case, next year could be even more difficult than this for Britain and most of the posturers.

Exclusing demand and those markets were to be found in the cil producing commines. There was clearly potential if Britain took the chance. His visit to Sandi Arabia last week opened the donor to a big increase in exports to that country. The public sector borrowing requirement of £6.3 billion, was not fuelling inflation. Nebody could cleim now that Government fiscal policy was freeling inflation. Nebody could cleim now that Government fiscal policy was freeling inflation. Nebody could cleim now that Government fiscal policy was freeling inflation. Nebody could cleim now that Government fiscal policy was freeling to be found in the cil producting countries. There was clearly was to such a big and the cil producting countries. There was clearly was to such a big and the cil producting countries. There was clearly was to such a big and the cil producting countries. There was clearly was to such a big and the cil producting countries. There was clearly was to be charly a big and the cil producting countries. There was clear as at cast test year.

Next year import prices were likely to rise much less but contrary to earlier expectations they were still likely to rise substantially then this for Britain and most of her partners.

He made no spokogy for his afforts in the past use mounts to warn his colleagues abroad of the dangers and the united action required to overcome them. He had not been wishout success. By the actumn there was general agreement in the Community and OBCD that unemployment was now as serious a danger as inflation.

The prospects for the world economy as a whole remained unessity belanced. There would be an opportunity for further discussions on a concerted approach when he met his colleagues in the interim committee of the International

committee of the International Monetary Fund in Washington next mouth.

Some chift in American policy was now inevitable but it would be critical for all how soon and how

Oil surpluses

Very little that was done now either in Britain or elsewhere in the world was likely to have much effect on world trade during the effect on world trade during the next year.

The major part of the January meeting of the IMF would be devoted to considering new machinery for recycling the oil producers' surpluses. Without such machinery all Britain's efforts to discourage restrictive flacal policies would be wested. This was because consumer countries would not be able to import the oil they needed to stay in business.

The strains on the intermetional banking system could soon prove

banking system could soon prove intolerable. He believed that next intolerable. He believed that next mouth agreement in principle could be reached on the IMP scheme he had suggested in October for investment of petrodollars as a basis for kelping oil consuming nations. This had been supported by his European partners and had been well received by the oil producers.

Everyone would welcome the assurances of the oil producers who made a contribution towards financing a deficit which was inevitable until the OPEC countries could absorb amports of goods and services equal to the value of the oil they exported.

But they imposed a heavy

oil they exported.

But they imposed a heavy burden of interest payments which Britain must reduce as fast as she could. Unless she were seen to make progress in reducing her trade deficit she may not appear to be a suitable country in which to invest. So it would be necessary to country out charges in the accountry

output towards exports and invest-ment before receiving the full benefits of offshore oil.

The exchange rate changes in the past few weeks would help to keep exports competitive. It was essental to slow down the rate of domestic inflation. British exports would have to be vigorous and determined to hold overseas mar-kets. If exports faltered, the impli-

energy without affecting produc-tion.

We need a crash programme (he send) on North Sea oil. There is no oil is being consistently slowed down as a result of Conservance.

The key to controlling inflation in 1975 was likely to be the level of sented since July received in-creases within the guidelines kild down by the TUC and of the in-creases in earnings over the past 12 months, about half was accounted

In Britain wage sertlements over the past 20 years had not been higher than in most of the coun-tries which competed with it, but they had not been accompanied by the same growth in productivity that had been seen in other coun-

tries.

Investment was not the only key to increasing productivity. He strongly agreed that to reduce the number of industrial stoppages would do more for output in the immediate future than any conceivable increase in investment. Whatever view Mr Heath might take of the Conclistion and Arbitration Service as a determinant of ware the Conciliation and Arbitration Service as a determinant of wage settlements it could play a major role in reducing the number of stoppages at every level.

Investment was a major component in productivity. The problem was not so much the rate of investment. Here Britain had not done very differently from many of its competitors, like Germany. The problem had always been that British industry had got a much lower rate of output per unit of investment than Germany, Japan, or the United States.

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The REDC had decided to ton-centrate on this aspect of the prob-lem in the next 12 mounts. This was essentially a problem of how individual firms and companies ordered their affairs. The Govern-ment had a day to provide the necessary environment in which micro-economic changes could take

micro-economic changes could take place.

They faced a special problem here during the world recession. It might be difficult, no matter how much money was offered to private industry, to persuade many firms to invest a lot of money in new capacity, green field investment.

There was nevertheless great scope for improving productivity from existing capacity by the sort of investment which, for example, removed bortlenecks in the production process. Many leading industrialism planned, despite all the problems, to concentrate on investment in this ages over the coming problems, to concentrate on investment in this area giver the coming
moment:

The Budget measures and mice
code changes announced this afternoen proved the Government's
goodwill for the private sector. He
was prepared to consider whether
anything else was needed, but must
be assured of some return for any
thing he did in terms of investment. thing he did in terms of investment

What disappointed him again today, and he suspected some Opposition MPs, was that Mr Heath showed no sign of heaving learnt anything from the experience of his three and a half years in office. (Lebour cheers.) Mr Powell yesterday described Mrs Thatcher as Satan rebuking sin, but Mr Heath was the Prince of Darkness himself. He was the Beelzebub of Berley. (Labour leaghter.) zeoub of Bexley. laughter.)

There was a time when he had the reputation for clear thinking and plain speaking. The House had had no clear thinking or plain speaking today on the major problems on which Mr Heath had sought this debate in order to make constructive properties.

make constructive propos Hysterical abuse

Thert had been a farrage of dishonest self contradiction made worse by the shrill and hysterical abuse which Mr Heath aimed at suyone who had a positive policy to put forward. Worst of all, in spite of his denials, he took an obvious satisfaction in any trem of news which holded ill for the nation. (Couservative protests.)

He knew his own political survival was dependent on the nation's disaster. He had a vested interest in catastrophe. Even as a prophet Mr Heart was not a Cassandra. He was more like the fat boy in The Pickwick Papers whose only aim was to make the fleah creep. (Laughter.) This was no basis for national unity.

What was needed was a Government which would attempt to understand the problems and attitudes of others even when they

tudes of others even when they disagreed with them—a Govern-ment which would take pride in the nation's success.

What was needed was a determination, while recognizing the immense and daunting scale of the problem faced by Britain and the world, to make the sacrifices needed to pull through

MR CARR (Sutton, Carshalton, C)—Can the Chancellor explain why in the period in which he has been in control inflation, by his measure, has risen from \$A per cent in September to 21.3 per cent now, and what is he going to do about it? (Conservative cheers.) MR HEALEY-There is bound MR HEALEY—There is bound to be some further increase in the rate of inflation because of the increase in world prices, which was not expected by any of us a few months ago, by the increase in nationalized industries' prices, and as a resolt of the relaxations in the Price Code which were strongly supported by Conservative MPs.

I believe it is possible to reduce the strongs of wage inflation through the successful operation of the social contract. (Conservative should of "When does it start?")

We have never us a nation in

We have never as a nation to secutione faced economic peacetime faced accountic problems of the scale and complexity of those, which we face this year, and it may well be even more danning in the year ahead. On the world ocene, I think the hide will turn in 1976. I shall do my hart or Earlieb Character to revere the state of the s best as British Chancellor to per-suede my colleagues to take the measures which may enable it to turn before next year is out. Britain would receive sorely needed help, which was dealed to others, from the off lying ground these chores which would start flowing in quantity ground about

Meanwhile (he said) we must accept a period in which living standards cannot rise and could even fall. We shall have to be fister. We shall certainly not be faster. We shall have a leaner and more efficient economy. Under this Government we shall have a

oil is being consistently slowed down as a result of Government policies. One day lost in the development of North Sea oil cost Britain £10m across the exchanges. The savings announced by the Secretary of State for Energy announced to to flow or £15m, so that all he had saved was one day to offset against the mouths being lost in North Sea oil. MR THORPE (North Devon, L) said large numbers of people, playing a major probably stiff the engiotity, did not infinition. MR THORPE (North Devon, L) said large numbers of people, playing a major probably stiff the engiotity, did not infinition. MR AMERY (B saved was one day to offset against the numbers of people did not yet accept & but it must economize in the use of Foot would never be that to be made crystal clear energy, particularly in reducing a series.

MR THORPE (North Devon, L) said large numbers of people, said it was essential for the Government to bring home clearly the gravity of the consoning situation.

People did not yet except it but it must economize in the need for oil supports. By now because there could not be further the need for oil supports. By now every third street light or some because there could not be further the need for oil supports. By now every third street light or some thing like that, ought to be out.

There ought not to be finedlighting.

There must be stronger boosts to investment and uninsterial direction. To overcome the crisis they must remove threats of nationalisation street signit devaluation. Import controls were difficult, but there should be a reduction in the transfer of knowny goods being single devaluation. Import controls were difficult, but there should be a reduction in the transfer of knowny goods being single devaluation. Import controls were difficult, but there should be a reduction in the transfer of knowny goods being single devaluation. Import controls were difficult, but there should be a reduction in the remainer of knowny goods being single devaluation. Import controls were difficult, but there should be a reduction in the remainer of knowny goods being single devaluation. Import controls were difficult, but there should be a reduction in the remainer of knowny goods being single devaluation. Import controls were difficult, but there also the ported. There was scope for an encomous increase in food production in the fact of knowny goods being single devaluation. Import controls were difficult, but there also some the crisis the ported. There was scope for an encomous increase in food production of the food known to the results of the provide and the preduction of the provide and the provide and the provide and the p

MP protests at procedure

MR CALLAGHAN—I am not only a defender of the manifesto, I was also in a humble way part author of it and I have a clear recollection of what was put in, why, and what it means. after poll result

MRS MILLIE MILLER (Redbridge, Ilford, North, Lab) was
given leave to bring in the Representation of the People (Amendment) Bill to provide for the
conduct of proceedings following
the counting of votes at a general
election in multi-constituency
boroughs to ensure that each successful candidate shall be
entitled to speak. way, and what it means.

We are (he said) fulfilling our commitments under the treatles, but we are agreeing to no new processes of integration. As regards the effect on what is taking place, the total impact of the change in duries will be a small net reduction in duty amounting to 0.1 per cent of consumer expenditure. MR RIFKIND (Edinburgh, Pentlands, C)—A recent survey of 220 leading British companies showed that only four believed they had suffered more harm than good out of the EEC. None wished to see Reliatin harms.

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She said that on October 10 in Redbridge she had been denied the privilege which every MP considered their "birthright" on winning an election. The returning officer announced that it had been arranged (but did not say by or with whom) that the candidates with the highest and lowest vote in the borough would be the only ones allowed to join in the traditional vote of thanks. There had also been a remark about communism. A man in the hall had said that "something ominous had hap-pened in liford, North, tonight"

and that " a communist salute has been given in this hall". Since 1945 she had been an since 1945 she had been an elected representative in the London area and it had never been suggested in that time that she had sympathies to communism. Every successful candidate should be allowed to thank supporters and the electorate, too.

The deteriorating trade deficit with all parts of the world

MR BUCHANAN (Glasgow, Springburn, Lab) asked if the Secretary of State for Foreign and commonwealth Affairs would take account of the deficit in trade for the deficit in trade between the United Kingdom and the EEC partners as stated by the Secretary of State for Trade on Secretary of Secre the EEC partners as stated by the Secretary of State for Trade on November 18 in the renegotiation of the terms of United Kingdom

MR JAMES CALLAGHAN (Cardiff, South-East, Lab)—The country's trade deficit is a matter for senious contern wherever it arises. Since 1971 there has been a general deterioration in Britain's non-oil trade gap with a number of important trading partners and all these factors will be taken into account.

MR BUCHANAN—This deficit weakens Mr Callaghan's hand in his renegotiations with the EEC. Is this deficit unique to our partners in the EEC? How does it compare with the increasing deficit in other parts of the world? MR CALLAGHAN—I do not find that our deficit weakens our negotiating hand. Other countries have a deficit, but Germany is in substantial surplus. It has been a general deterioration. Our non-oil trade gap with the EEC increased, fivefully between 1971 and 1973. fivefold between 1971 and 1973, with Eftz threefold, with the Commonwealth 13-fold and with the United States by 17 times. MR SCOTT-HOPKINS (West Derbyshire, C)—Membership has been of the greatest benefit to our trade and tuffuence. Because of the lowering of trade barriers between British and the Community, we have increased our trade.

MR CALLAGHAN-Our trade has increased, but so has our defi- to find the an cit to both sides. Whichever side a clear one.

should be on a sensible basis.

MR LAMOND (Oldham, East Lab)—Is part of the deficit not due to unforthing the importing from Mediteransean associate members of cheap coircon yarn which, by mistake, I premine, has been labelled as raw material, the importation of which is having a devastating effect on the couton spinning industry of the northwest, so much so that some manufacturers are prophetying the death of the industry by 1975.

MR CALLAGHAN—The EEC Commission is meeting today to consider that. It is a senious position of which operate both ways and consider that it is a senious position.

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taken up the time of meetings of
indisters, but it would be wrong to
ascribe the substantial deficit to
the EEC.

MR MARTEN (Banbury, C)—
Last Thursday I was told that 95
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EEC ministers meetings in January

MR HATTERSLEY, Minister of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs (Birmingham, Sparkbrook, Lab), made a statement about business to be taken in the Council of Ministers of the European Community during January

European Community during January.

He said: At present five meetings of the Council of Ministers ore proposed for January. Agriculture ministers will meet on January 13 and 14, and 20 and 22; foreign ministers on January 20 and 21; finance ministers January 27 and development ministers on dates yet to be set. It may also be necessary for ministers to discuss the latest possition in the negotiations with the developing sugar producing countries.

Agriculture ministers will resume their discussion of Community farm prices for 1975-76 and of proposals for the beef regime.

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The foreign affairs Council will be the first since the recent heads of government meeting in Paris. It is likely that the foreign ministers will wish to review the outcome of that meeting, although the full agenda for the Council is not yet available.

The agenda for finance ministers is also not known, although they are likely to have their usual mouthly discussions on the economic situation in the Community.

Development ministers will consider the release of a further Community contribution to the United Nations emergency measures; a Community, and food aid policy.

There is also likely to be a ministerial meeting between the EEC and the African Carlibban.

terial meeting between the EEC and the African, Caribbean and Pacific countries to contribe hengotiations for a new convention of association.

Protecting British interests in Uganda MR TOWNSEND (Bexley, Bexposition to honour any agreement clear to General Amin that his policies are intolerable to us and reached? MR TOWNSEND (Bexley, Bexposition to honour any agreement clear to General Amin that his policies are intolerable to us and temporarily withdrew our High Commission office.

leyheath, C) asked the Secretary

MR SPRIGGS (St Helens, Lab)—Mr Callaghan should never agree to sell the right of veto in the Common Market.

MR CALLAGHAN-Because this

MR CALLAGHAN—Because this question of sovereignty is important, I intend in the debate tomorrow (Thursday) to write our carefully what the position is, but in the meantime there is no question of the veto having disappeared, or being likely to disappear.

of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs for a statement on his present policy towards General Amin's regime in Uganda.

MISS JOAN LESTOR, Under Secretary (Eton and Slough, Lab)—Our policy in Uganda, as elsewhere, is to protect and promote British interests.

MR TOWNSEND—What is the current position regarding the talks? Do the Government think that Uganda is going to be in a statude with Uganda and made the continue to commission office.

MISS LESTOR—I do not think anybody on the Government side has done anything other than show anything other than show a great deal of concern for the Uganda Uganda has acknowledged in British properties expropriated in British propert

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Wycombe and Chester are top dogs

knocked Newcastle United out of the League Cup and Wycombe Wanderers, of the Isthmlan League beat the third division club Bournemouth in the FA Cup last night. when Manchester United, of the second division, also eliminated Middlesbrough from the League Cup and England's under-23 side. despite various troubles leading up to the game, beat the young Scots 3—0 in Aberdeen.

Wycombo have a dream-like prize for their labours, which at the same time added salt into the ground of mindlesbrough at Old Trafford. Jack Charlton's side now have to play Wycombe on the Isthmion League club's own Loakes Park ground, renowned for its slope. It should be easy for the first division club, but they cannot

be sure.
Wycombe bring the number of pon-League clubs through to the

City in an all-ticket second divi-sion game on Saturday. York's attendance limit has been reduced by 1,000 to 16,637, making Bootham Crescent the smallest ground in the division, and the third smallest in the Football League. Only Hereford and Cam-bridge (16,000) have smaller caractites.

The decision to reduce York's

limit came after talks with archi-tects who were consulted about crowd safety, but it was not made

sofely because of the visit of Man-chester United and their trouble-some supporters. United's ticket allowance is 6,000, all behind one

Charlton, without a game on January 4 because their opponents, Preston, are still in the FA Cup-

have arranged to play Wrexham. Originally the fixture was due to be played on Good Friday.

Greece increase

in group eight

and are followed by West Germany with one point from one game and Bulgaria with one point from two. Malta, the fourth country in the group, open their programme with a home match against West Germany on Sunday.

Quickly into their stride, Greece took the lead after only four minutes when Sarafis headed in

from close range following a free kick taken by Papaioannou. Their second goal came in the fortieth

minute, scored by Antoniades with

ing opportunity.

Group eight table

Coker on loan

Bulgaria pressed hard in the second half, with the outside left Kurbañov often looking dangerous. Denev shot hard and forced the Greek goalkeeper, Constantinou, to make a diving save in the 75th minute. But the Bulgarian finishing was indecisive, and the only reward for their efforts was no 88th minute goal by Kolev from a pass by Bonev.—Reuter.

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third round on January 4 to five. The others are Leatherhead, also of the Isthman League, Wimble don, of the Southern League, and Altrincham and Stafford Rangers the Northern Premier League. The ties uncertain when the draw vas made are now : Peterborough United v Tranmere Rovers ; Swindon Town v Lincoln City; Bury v Millwall: Mansfield Town v Cam-bridge United; Wycombe Wan-derors v Middlesbrough. The semi-final round of the

The semi-linal round of the Football League Cup. played on a two leg basis, will be: Man-chester United v Norwich City and Chester v Aston Villa. The first division has been eleminated completely. John James put paid to Newcastle with the only goal of the game. Chester went wild with delicity and mall there with Their victims in the competition make an impressive list—Walsall. Blacknool. Preston, Leeds, and now Newcastle.

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been forced to play their striker substitute, Wingate, in goal for the final 45 minutes.

Chester for the League Cup final at Wembley. This amazing prospect cannot now be discounted as they eliminated Newcastle as they eliminated Newcastle United at Sealand Road and fought their way into the two legged semi-final round with Aston Villa.

With this fiercely fought quarter final sound works, according

ter-final round replay grinding into a state of dreary stalemate.

enabled Wycombe to beat Bournemouth 2—1. A goal down in nine minutes to a fine header from 17-year-old Goddard, Wycombe survived more early pressure to snatch second-half goals and victory through Horseman and Perrin after the third division side had been forced to play their striker. ded the ammunition for their manager's warning shots before the game that they could not possibly lose this one. For much of the game it looked as if they could not possibly win it. But Newcastle, clearly missing the punch of Tudor up front, failed to exploit their earlier advantages and in the end were left holding. and in the end were left holding their heads in their hands as they rushed off the field to avoid the cheering hordes invading the

Tueart. 2250,000 signing from Sunderland early this year, staked a strong claim for a place in England's team for the European champlonship match against Cyprus in February when he scored two lames, whose goalscoring exploits had put paid to Leeds United in the previous round, struck again. His seventy-fifth minute goal turned a dour affair into another analysis. Don Revie, in an other-

Beattie returns to ask Ipswich manager to give him a rest

Notes County have been granted a request to play their FA Cup third round the against Portsmouth on Friday, January 3. This is the first time a third round the has him moved from the stipulated Robson, after falling to join the England party for the under-23 international match against Scotinternational margin against acor-land in Aberdeen last night.
Following a six hour journey from Carlisle to London, which began at 6.42 am after a sleepless night. Beattle said: "I still haven't worked out what I am going to say to Mr Robson, and I don't know what he will say to me I am just honing that he will An FA spokesman said yester-day that the request had been granted because of police insist-ence that they could not cope with ence that they could not cope with two cup-ties at the same time. Nottingham Forest are also at home, against Tottenham Hotspur, and with the grounds only a quar-ter of a mile apart police authori-ties stated that they could not cope with the traffic flow, park-ling or growd control. It don't know what he will say to me. I am just hoping that he will be tolerant. I am hoping I can get all this sorted out today."

Beattle had plenty of time to brood on his difficulties during the journey, which was delayed by engineering works north of Preston and then an unexpected switch of trains. When he arrived in London he had 31 minutes to get across to Liverpool Street varies and the control.

Vanchester United will be watched by their smallest crowd of the season when they visit York City in an all-ticket second divi-

Kevin Beattie, the Ipswich Town footballer, yesterday travelled home to place himself at the mercy of his club manager, Bobby Rubeng after follows to its the parents' home in Carlisle on Tuesday. He stayed in Carlisle over-night but was up before dawn to catch the London train yesterday, having talked of the pressures of modern football. He said he was "too shattered" to give of his best to England. Beattie said: "When I get to Ipswich I am going home because am shartered after having no sleep and following the long journey. Then I am going to see the boss to ask bim if I can have a rest. I would certainly appre-clate it if he would let me. Of course, I have no idea what his answer will be. All this has been building up for a number of weeks. The immense amount of travelling and the pressure has had things buzzing around in the top of my head, and I am sure a rest would do me good." get across to Liverpool Street station, but he was driven there by newspaper reporters and caught the train to Ipswich with seconds do me good

a long talk with his mother, and when he left he had not had a change of heart. He was a bit apprehensive because he expects a good ticking off when he arrives in Ipswich." in Ipswich."

Beattie said that he had tried to contact the England manager. Don Revie, but had been unable to reach him on the telephone. He arrived at Ipswich station shortly before a quarter to three and was taken to the Ipswich Town headquarters at Portman Road for a meeting with Mr Robson.

Alan Little, a 19-year-old mid-field player from Aston Villa, signed yesterday for Southend United, for a fee of about £10,000. United, for a fee of about £10,000. Terms had been agreed between the clubs. Little, a younger brother of Brian Little, has played four first-team games for Villa. He scored in the League Cup quarter-final victory at Colchester two weeks ago. Tony Betts, a striker, who has made one first-team appearance found South-After Reattie left for Ipswich, team appearance, joined South his futher said: "Kevin has had port, on a month's loan yesterday

North underline class with a flourish

Nurthern Schools 4 Southern 2 After their successes on the previous day in the six-a-side tournament, it was to be expected that the Northern Schools would prove to be too powerful for the Southern Schools in their annual match at the Bank of England ground at Rochampton yesterday. Yet in the event the South held their own for at least two-thirds of an enjoyable match.

Apart from an exciting final 10 Apart from an exciting final 10 minutes, all the best football was played in the first half. Rather trodically, when both sides were at their best only one goal was scored, whereas when mistakes crept in after the interval, the goalkeapers were bearen on five occasions and only once could any blame be attached to them.

The same started at a cracking Athens, Dec 18.—Greece in-creased their lead in qualifying group eight of the European cham-The game started at a cracking rine game started at a cracking pace. Encouraged by overlapping full backs and sensibly using the full width of the pitch, both sides attacked with determination. pionship with a 2—1 victors over Bulgaria here today. Greece have four points from three matches

was almost through. The Southerners responded quickly. Lauffer dribbled down the left wing and Remnant collected his centre and shot for goal; but Aisbitt deflected the ball on to the crossbar, whence after a real scrummage the North kicked to safety. When Holt headed another centre by Lauffer with a smack against the crossbar, we had enjoyed more thrills in the first 10 minutes than are often pro-10 minutes than are often pro-vided in a whole game.

As both sides began to settle down, the defences became tighter. Aisbitt, Butterworth and Waddiorr gave little away, while price, one of the successes of the game, and Phelps tackled firmly and initiated many attacks. Then, and impaged many attacks. Then, just before half time, Taylorson finished off the best close passing movement of the whole game with a quickly taken shot to give the Pendlebury shot a powerful low Northern Schools an interval lead.
drive from Bostock's centre, but Except for a final flourish, the

Richards saved brilliantly; a second half was dull by compari-Southern 2 minute later he had to dash our son. Dinkener soon gave the ses on the and smother the ball as Taylorson North a two-mil advantage, but second half was dull by comparison. Dinkener soon gave the North a two-nil advantage, but Adomakoh, the fastest runner with the ball on the field, made an opening for Remnant to reduce the lead. Waddicor coolly chinad the North's third goal. duce the lead. Waddicor coolly chipped the North's third goal. Adomakoh made it 3—2, and in a storming finish, with both sides using substitutes, Waddicor completed a highly satisfactory display by putting the Issue beyond doubt at 4—2 for the North. Overall this was a fair result.

NORTH: D. Jackson (Burg): I. Jackson (Queen Elizabeth's, Blackburn), H. Burterworth (Manchester GS). S. Stort (King's, Chester), J. Waddicor (Queen Elizabeth's, Blackburn), J. Elifontones, Kepton's, Barkburn), J. Elifontones, Repton's, Barkburn, J. Elifontones, Repton's, Barkburn, J. English (Marchester GS). P. pendleburn, South T. Richards (Wastminster); SOUTH: T. Richards (Washninster);
N. Price (Malvern, C. Rowland
Latymer Upper);
S. Taube (Westminster);
S. Pheips (Calgwell);
M. Saunders (Malvern, R. Regunnist
Latymer (Malvern, Ch. Legon School);
J. Ward (Eton; A. Roll
(Eton) (Charterhouse);
D. Roll
(Eton) (Charterhouse);
D. Roll (Eton).
Referee: J. Wittekind (London Society).

Influenza virus affects four Luton players

Luton Town are taking special precautions to stop the spread of an influenza virus that has affected four players. Garner, Hindson, Chambers and O'Connor have been sent home and told not to return to Kenilworth Road until they have

Several reserve players are injured, including Fern, who will be out of action until February. He has entered hospital for an operation on the medial ligament

in his right leg. Luton, who play Derby County at home on Saturday, were scheduled to send a team to play Walthamstow Avenue tonight, but the match has had to be cancelled because of the club's injury and illness problems.

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Govier for Grimsby

Ade Coker, a 20-year-old West Ham United forward, has joined Lincoln City for a five weeks loan period. Lincoln, badly hit by injuries, will play Coker in their home game with Stockport County tomorrow might Grimsby Town yesterday signed Govier, the 22-year-old Brighton and former Norwich City centrehalf, for £16,000. He makes his debut at home to Chariton debut at home Athletic on Saturday.

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Bowles comes off the transfer list

Stanley Bowles, placed on the Queen's Park Rangers transfer list for a month last week, has decided for a month last week, has decided that he wants to stay with the club. The England forward, who was dropped from the team for Saturday's match against Sheffield United, asked to be taken off the list after playing for the reserves against Tottenbam Hotspur. Manager Dave Sexton, who had made his brilliant striker available for transfer because of the player's apparent desire to move, announced that he was "delighted". When he dropped Bowles for Saturday's match a few days after signing Masson from Notts County the Rangers' manager said: "I the Rangers' manager said: "I think it is better all round if we

have players in the side who want to play for Rangers." Fixture changes

Brentford will play their League match at Northampton on January 4, instead of March 18. Cambridge United's home fixture against Stockport County has been changed from January 10 to the following day (3.0).

Disciplinary cases on the increase

Disciplinary offences in Football League, League Cup, and FA Cup matches are on the increase. By the end of November 50 players had been sent off, compared with 39 in the same period in 1973. About 1,200 players whose names have been taken are registered with the Football Association, a rise of approximately 300 on last year.

year. Dennis Leigh, of Lincoln City, lost his appeal against being sent off in the FA Cup first-round match at Port Vale. He begins a three-match suspension from next Monday and so misses the third-round game at Swindon on January 4

ary 4.

Leigh, who appeared before an FA disciplinary commission in Birmingham yesterday, struck an opponent during the game and was dismissed by the referee, Kenneth Baker (Birmingham).

David Hall (Sheffield Wednesday) was banned for one match and fined £10 for remarks he made to the referee after a Central League game with Leeds United. Hall's good record had been taken into account by the commission.

Yesterday's results and scorers

Second round replay

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COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIP: South cast Group play-off: Surrey 9, Middle-sex 15. Fifth round replays

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Winners meet Asten Villa in semi-final round.

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REPRESENTATIVE MATCH: Lendon University 2. Army 0: United College Hospitals 1, Kingston 0.

Sparkle Again sparkles again at Catterick

Sparkle Again, who was laid off for six weeks with a cracked heel, made a winning return in the Danby Handicap Steeplechase at Catterick Bridge yesterday with a half length victory from Tartan Timer.

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The win surprised his owner-trainer, Reginald Lamb, who said:
"I thought that Sparkle Again would need a race or two to bring him to his best. He is entered in a steeplechase at Newcastle on Saturday week and he might be aimed there next." Ridley Lamb, the useful amateur

a comfortable eight lengths from rider who put up a pound over-weight on the winner, followed the early leaders, Corrie Burn and Anthony Wait, until the last fence and then urged Sparkie Again into the lead. Mr Lamb, who won the race last year with Ernie Wiltshire, has now saddled five winners this sea-gon from his small string of 15 chase horses. Anthony Watt

turned in a promising performance to finish a close third and will probably next race in the Rowland Meyrick Handicap Steeplechase at Wetherby on Boxing Day or the Mandarin Handicap Steeplechase at Newbury on Saturday week. Arthur Stephenson had a double with Wylam Boy and Geenada. Wylam Boy, ridden by Tommy Stack, strode away from the opposition to win the first division of the Streetfam Novices' Burdle by a comfortable eight lengths from

Willow Walk.

Geenada was another smooth winner for Stephenson in the Brompton Amateur Riders Novices Hurdle, beating Perfect Match by three Jengths. Stephenson said:

"Geenada is certain to make a

Rugby Union

Coventry field another weak XV

Coventry are depleted for the Coventry are depleted for the second successive weekend by trial calls on their best men and field a side away to Gloucester on Saturday without seven regular players. Five of them—Rossborough, Duckham, Preece, Cotton and Evansare all in the England trial, Barton is unfit and prop forward Broderick is dropped, his place being taken by Corless. With a similar depleted team Coventry lost 12-9 to Llanelli last Saturday.

Team: P. Evans: S. Maisey, T. Team: P. Evans: S. Maisey, T. Corless, P. Coulthard, T. Barnwell; A. Cowman, C. Grinshaw;

B. Corless, J. Gallagher, K. E. Fairbrother, I. R. Darnell, B. Ninnes, P. Bryan, A. Troughton, Gerry Redmond, former Cambridge University forward who played for England once against France in 1970, but has been out

of the game for some time be in reserve.

Richmond boys' team The Richmond schoolboys rugby team to meet London Scottish January 1 (ko 2.15) is: R. Ravard Epson College: J.
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Fosh (Harrow: J. Barron (Harrow: J.
S. Lee (St. Senedicts: J. Tarrow: J.
Dulvich College C. Prictard Esher
County GS: R. Moure Granists: J.
Colegnan (Sherborne: Granists: Millield), K. Budge (Rostall J.
Morgan (Canford: A. Harrison (Whigilt), D. Procter (St George's College
Myphridge).

Which is the greatest rugby club on earth? A good many claims might be put in. They have no doubt of the answer on Uskside. One hundred pears of Newport rugby (Starling Press, £2.50, which has just been published to mark the club's centenary, tells you in the first paragraph, making no horse shows it. bones about it.

Nor can the claim be dismissed hastily. Newport have had six unbeaten seasons, narrowly missing two more. They have provided international players for all four home countries (and for South Africa), including Ken Jones, the Welshman most often capped, and Bryn Meredith, than whom only one Welsh forward has secured more caps. Newport have beaten South Africa (twice), Australia and New Zealand—they were the only team to beat the 1953 All Blacks. Once, against Bristol, they fielded a side entirely composed of inter-national players, with three more

of the game for some time because of business commitments, reappears in the Richmond "A" side against a Wasps mam. Also in the "A" team is England's Under-23 prop forward, Oliphant.

Another familiar face appears in the Richmond fifth X'. "The Heavies". against Blackheath Blades. Keith Oxlee, who played 20 times for South Africa in the sixties, appears in a side

The Old Whitgiftian team to meet old Millibilians is: P. J. Skeen: K. McComble, B. P. Wordsworth. J. L. Cooke, R. D. C. Huater, N. J. Anderson, D. V. Malempre; T. Mason, A. Mason, D. J. Caygill, D. M. Scott, R. J. K. McIntosh. P. J. R. Chesterton, D. C. Hughes, M. J. F. Nash.

Richmond boys' team

Hational players, with three more in reserve.

This is an impressive and in its way unmatched record. But there are other yardsticks, and every cardiff man knows that, in their four to a season, Newport have done so in four seasons (Newport on are those six invincible seasons quire so formidable as they sound, as four of Newport's history, when they met mostly local opposition. The first time they played a leading English club, Blackheath a leading English club, Blac from their wounding expenses.

Their other two unbeaten seasons were 1891-2, and 1922-3, and in both cases this was achieved against the best opposition. from their wounding experience. tion. Among other senior Welsh cips, only Swansea and Maesteg have gone through a season unbeaten, once each. If a Welsh ciph looks like doing it again, it

centenary of this fumous club, is worthy of the occasion: a much more ambitious project than the usual run of club histories. There are nearly 300 pages, stornly bound and dust-Jacketed in black and amber. At £2.50, it is excellent value as book prices go. It contains an account of every season, with the number of appearances made each season by each player, and the result of every match Newport have played. There are inevitably a few gaps and queries in the early years but it is clear that much care has some int. that much care has gone into making the record as complete as possible. It is said that the devoted author, Jack Davis of the South Wales Argus, died, at the age of 75, while the book was in the pages.

A club's claim to greatness that

cannot be dismissed hastily

Apart from its value to the statistician and to the Newport enthusiast, the book has an appeal to anybody interested in rugby as Jack Davis always had an eye for the significant moments, as well the significant moments, as well as the quirks, the oddities of the game. He throws light, for instance, on that complicated episode in the mid-twenties, when Wales wanted a new law to prohibit players advancing round the scrummage until the ball had been heeled. The International Board would have none of it, but the WRFU insisted it should be applied to matches within their jurisdiction. Thus, when Leicester, say, came to Newport they had to play under the Welsh law, but when Newport went to Leicester they had to accept the English version.

As for the oddities, none is furnier than the story of the try scored by C. B. Cross in 18.7, against Rockleaze. Rockleaze I take version. be another name for the Clifton club. The match was played on Clifton Downs, that high, wind-swept strench of grass which looks across Bristol. There was no dead ball line: everything behind the goalposts and inside the corner flags was "in goal". Cross was chasing a kick ahead; the wind caught the ball and pulled it away faster than he could run. He had gone about 300 yards before the managed to touch it down on the brink of the terrifying cliffs of the Avon Gorge. If you know Clifton Downs, it is easy to believe this

story, which is still rememt in Bristol as well as Newpo would have done the same myself, chasing a ball for children on a blowy day, but n fully now the chiffs are fe Newport is a slightly perpl-place to the outsider, whethe be Welsh or English. Althoug myself in helped to four rugby club helped to founk WRFU, they had previously I the (English) RFU, and to thi maintain their membershi both. Occasionally this has b nuisance, but it gives the c special kind of independence continues to produce Engli well as Welsh internation shall be surprised if Smart not get into the England side Newport is, above all, a b town. The Earl of Gloucester its castle in the 12th century ever since it has been a pot centre for border battles. P who live in such places ter draw into themselves, to re themselves, and a plague strangers. Although it was on the 19th century, when the spr waters of the Usk provided s useful outlet for the newly Welsh minerals, that Nebecame a large industrial became a large industrial something of that old feeling sists; they are their own mer. This is not to say they inhospitable. Far, far from they have even the vaguest ory of your face in the Neclubhouse, you have a gla your hand before you can the bar. They value old fiships, even distant ones, instance, they played Watso for the first time in 1894, and will be playing them again December 27. So far Nec. for the first time in 1894, and will be playing them again December 27. So far Newhave won 60 matches, four been drawn, and Watsonians won seven. As many as 1 people have been known to this match, even in recent yand not just because the Waians' touch judge, with kilt, 1 offer a swig of the wine o country to a thirsty speciator. country to a thirsty spectator
I wish good luck to Newportheir next century, and
thanks to the memory of
Davis, and to the club, and Starling Press. for such a book; though I expect you to be a borderer (nor necessar Welsh borderer) to enjoy in flavour.

Richmond decide to drop their former captain side against Newport at the S Memorial Ground on SatuHe replaces Keith Jenkins. W. Cambridge colleague Steve mann moves from lock to the: in place of Howard and P comes in to partner Whi The Australian No 8 McLea dropped and replaced by Kirk.

had better make sure it plays
Newport early in the season,
before the pressure is on.
The book, which celebrates the

London Scottish have adopted the practice already in force in Scotland of immediately suspending any player who is sent off until he comes up before the county's disciplinary committee. In England at present it is up to the individual club whether it suspends a dismissed player until the disciplinary hearing.

Mr Eric Corben, a London Scottish spokesman, said: "This is an attempt by the club to keep up a high standard of discipline, We want to be seen to be doing the right thing. We have had seven players sent off in the last two seasons. But this is not such a

seasons. But this is not such a bad record when you consider the

Club runs nine teams."

John Raphael, the Northampton hooker, has withdrawn from Saturday's England trial at Twick-

enham. Raphael, a student at the Royal College of Surgeons in Dub-Raphsel, a student at the

lin. was named among the substi-tutes but he is to assist his Dubtutes but he is to assist his Dub-lin club. Becuve Rangers, who play their Leinster senior league final on the same day. Raphael played in last Saturday's trial at Headingley for the Midlands against the North.

Richmond, the top club in Lon-don after their victory over Ross-lyn Park last week, drop their former captain, James, for the visit of Blackheath to Richmond visit of Blackheath to Richmond Athletic ground. His place goes to Ridles, who packs down in the second row alongside Nigel Gillingham, a Loughborough Col-

leges student, who gets his first game of the season because Raiston is in the England trial. Merrick, on leave from the Royal Navy, returns for his first match since the beginning of the season. Groves, who was a late replace-

ment last week on the Blackheath

Wasps at Northampton. Damon and Stuart come in for Cambridge and Bell, who are not available, while self, who are not available, while at centre and wing respectively Warby replaces Gwyn Jones at stand-off. Shortland comes in for Adam, who is away on business, at Gordon Wood, the Cambridge game of the season after slit University and England under 23 a disc in the summer. He re-wing, returns to the Barlequins Burrell.

wing and scored two tries, retains his place in the side. London Welsh are unchanged for the visit of Cardiff to old Deer

Park. This means that Roberts again leads the side because Geoff

Evans's knee injury, which kept him out of the game with London Irish last week, has not cleared up. Evans hopes to be fit for the match at Llanelli on Boxing Day.

Three backs make their first appearances of the season for

Howcroft continues to deputize.

the mercian laying last we keeps his place for the vis. Abertillery to Southgate. Have it out with sinus trouble. It pack. Holden returns at loc place of Morris. George Stevenson makes comeback for London Scottis Birkenbead Park on Saturday. full back plays his first s

dropped and replaced by Kirk

The Saracens full back He who came in for Hawkins ag old Merchant Taylors' last v

Squash rackets

Ayton and Verow deserve qualified praise

squash rackets championship at Wembley today. But it is much to their credit that both have reached the last four for the first time. Not since 1968, when the overseas challenge did not amount to much, have two British players remained in the running at this Of the men who have contested

the semi-final round in the five intervening championships, seven have since become professionals and three others did not play this time. So the level of competition has declined, as was embarrassingly evident in the third round in particular, But on Tuesday Ayton peppered the nick with a brilliant blend of the long and short games in disposing of Mohamed Saleem in straight games: and Verow's advance must be measured against the fact that he is only 21 and has been inhibited by a large and nasty burst blister on the ball of

his right foot. The fact remains that so far this has hardly been a memorable commament. The expertise of such players as Mohibullah and Zaman and such administrators as Tony Gathercole (borrowed) from Slazenger) has only thinly disguised the inexperience of many relative newcomers to such an occasion, both on and off court. All have had difficulty in adjusting to an unfamiliar environment at the new Wembley Squash Centre. But the lessons learnt from Centre. But the iessons read in the this first big event to be played there should lead to rapid improvements as the season

By Rex Bellamy
It is no good pretending that
Philip Ayton and Peter Verow, of
Britain, can be backed with any
confidence against Mohibullah
Khan and Qamar Zaman (Pakistan)
respectively in the semi-final
respectively in the second amateur international match between
Britain and Pakistan at the new
Brandon Hall Club, near Coventry
on Monday. The teams will be the
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first match. ship, sponsored by Falcon Inns, from December 27 to 30. This is part of the network of age-group events organized by Anthony Swift since he became national coach two years ago.
In addition to the established

In addition to the established teenage tournaments for the Drysdale Cup (under-19) and the Evans Cup (under-16) there are now three official Squash Rackets Association championships: the under-19 event, which is in its second year, and new championships for players under 14 (sponsored by Darbrook, a sports goods company) and under 23. Both series will be involved in the under-23 tournament, which aims to help British players (who mature later than most of their leading rivals) to bridge the gap betwen age-group and senior combetwen age-group and senior com-petition. The women also have their own under-19 championship, sponsored by Grays.

When Swift became Britain's first national coach, he set to work on a development plan that, among other things, stressed the need for earlier and more intensive competition. The new certes

sive competition. The new series of championships, together with nine regional tournaments (which began yesterday) in similar age groups, has established the framework—and a guide to form in selecting a team to take part in the annual junior international festival. Mr Swift said yesterday: festival. Mr Swift said yesterday:

"The idea was to get something off the ground for juniors. On the compeditive side it was important to get SRA national junior championships recognized, as part of the build-up for the junior development scheme."

The future of the British game looks rosler than its present But this first big event to be played looks tosier than its present. But it would be a pleasant surprise provements as the season if Ayron and Verow, investment in action today could make that sound pessimistic.

Hockey

London University sharpe and in better heart

By Sydney Friskin
London University 2 Army 0
Life's vicissitudes must surely
have been forgotten by the Small
crowd that watched this enjoyable hockey match at Motspur
Park yesterday. In a relaxed
spirit of give and take, London
University scored twice against the
Army and held their advantage
with a fair degree of comfort.
London looked much sharper
than they had been for some time.
After a long lean spell, they beat
Reading in the London League
last Saturday and that victory
seemed to have put them in better
heart. Their early offensive paid
them rich dividends yesterday.
In spire of being without Raumann and Kirk-Smith, London's
four-man attack, inspired mainly
by the unremitting seal of Dunkerley, moved in high gear, passing and repassing in fine style.
The Army must have been a
little disappointed at both their
display and the result. They had
done well to draw 2—2 with Hampshire and had stood up well to
Southgate, although they lost 4—2.
Their own three-man defensive
system seemed to have been disorganized in the early minutes by
Kullar's stickwork and accelerarion.
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Goodwin was the most stable
of the Army's defenders, having
had the experience of playing for
Combined Services in the divisional
tournament at Derby. Moss, in
goal, made a number of smart
saves, Jarrett-Kerr was outstanding in the middle and Marsh the
most resourceful of their forwards. wards.

wards.

The Army's early uncertainty in defence cost them dearly when London scored in the eleventh minute. In fact, when Pennypicked up a centre from the right and scored there was no one within five yards of him. The Army hit back by forcing a long corner from which Stamp's shot was well saved by Smith.

Another snell of London assets. Another spell of London ascenanother spen of London ascendancy culminated in a goal from a short corner by Phoenix in the niloeteenth minute, the ball reaching its desination via the goal-keeper's pads.

The first half ended with Lon-

don wasting three short cor in a tortid four-minute spell, which the Army reorganized which the Army reorganized team with Dewar coming in Stamp in the forward line Sandy replacing Goodwin in back division.

But although the Army lo more assured after the integration they could not undermine confidence of London who at stage earned four short cou confidence of London who at stage earned four short con in almost as many minutes. London University: P. (Sir Monn Case): 1. Brower (I. London University: P. (Sir Monn Case): 1. Brower (I. London Case): 1. Brown (I. Capital Ca

The players who will reprice England in the World Cup ho tournament in Kuala Lumpur; March 1 to 15 were annou yesterday with one reserval A party of 17 has selected for two international and all but one them will go to Kuala Lum The odd man out will be aske keep himself in full training David Owen (Southgate) and Pinks (Guildford) as reserves.

ENGLAND PARTY: D. Aldridge (Southgate), R. Barker (Old Kingstonians), D Blackmore (Liverpool Seft R. H. Brookemau (Slough), P Cotton (Southgate, captain), B Disbury (Redditch), P. C. Pre (Old Kingstonians), S. R. Loug (Bury St Edmunds), I McGinn (Southgate), P. A. M. (Cardiff), J. L. Neale (Southgate), M. Purdy (Trojans), R. Smith (Oston), P. J. T. Sve (Beckenham), I. A. Thom, (Hounslow), C. J. C. What (Hightown), D. B. White (Southgate).

Sponsors sought for 1975 national championships

By Jim Railton

The future of the British national rowing championships will be uncertain after 1975 unless financial support through sponsorship is Stephenson had a double lam Boy and Geenada. Soy, ridden by Tommy ode away from the oppowin the first division of fiam Novices' Hurdle by table eight lengths from valk.

a was another smooth or Stephenson in the Amateur Riders Novie, beating Perfect Match lengths, Stephenson said:

a is certain to make a seer. He might have one see over hurdles before fences."

Other racing, page 13 found. Since the inaugural cham-

year's event will be doubled (£1 to £2) to relieve the financial But to maintain the promotional standards of the event, a further £1,500 is still needed for the 1975 championships, which the ARA hope to produce through sponsorship. If the ARA fall short in their efforts, some stringent economies are promised for next year's championships, J. L. Garton, chairman of the Henley Royal Regatta committee

Herley Royal Regatta committee of management, reported a decline in the excess of income over expenditure at the Royal Regatta this year compared with the previous year. Despite the introduction of Sunday racing this year and an increase in income, the cost of running the regatta (£90,432) was 25 per cent more than last year.

But there are some rays of hope still for assisting the Royal Regatta's financial position. A boat festival is—subject to planning permission—likely to take place on the regatta land in 1975 from May 15 to 26, which should realize more income for the regatta. More revenue, too, is likely to be raised in pooling resources with Leander Club. Ar Garton was quick, too, to point out the perils of sports tied to spousorship, and the perils resulting from the withdrawal this year of 13m from Eritish sport. But there are some rays of hope E3m from British sport.

next year were an increase in-entry fees (likely to raise an addi-tional fi.100) and restrictions on the quality of entry for the already over-subscribed Wyfold and Britannia. In these two

two of the oarsmen have won event at Henley Royal Reg or an event of senior A classiftion at any other regatta will five years of entry. In line the ARA rules, women in full may enter as commentars but of may enter as competitors but o as conswains.

Four new Henley stewards h. been elected. They are P. R. Coni (chairman of the ARA ext tive), M. A. Sweeney (chairt of the British rowing select board, and a winner of meeters at Henley). D. A. Ch (editor in chief of the Press As

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useful chaser. He might have one more race over hurdles before

Among the amendments and new rules introduced for Henley an increase in

(editor in ciner of the Fress Ar-ciation), and W. H. Perry (pr-dent of the American Natio Association of Amateur Darsme Mr Perry is the first oversea outside the Commonwealth—st ard to be elected.

PORT prints Queen agrees to word 'diamond' A King George VI race title The Inclusion of the word diamond opinion of King Flame who good burdler but who has been added to the word diamond of the word diamond diam

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their meeting in London last
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ch to prevent the 2,000 Guineas ne Derby being sponsored by and such a group.

Me King George VI and the me Lizabeth Stakes; the tenham Gold Cup and the npion Hurdle are currently sored by De Beers; Piper Isieck and Lloyds Bank. Yester-istens and the Lloyds Bank. it was said that Lloyds Bank may not ask to include their e in the Champion Hurdle. In they already sponsor the ds Bank Hurdle—the premier t for stayers—on the same noon as the Champion Hurdle. both De Beers and Piper Heid; are taking up their option.
was announced yesterday that Queen has consented to the diamond being added to the grace which will be known in as the King George VI and Queen Elizabeth Diamond es. This I feel is the perfect promise because so often longs are associated with lty on glittering occasions. It id be difficult to believe that

Veight in

te smallest field of several s at Southwell today, starting

an hour earlier because of a division, might provide the est finish between the five ers for the Christmas Tree dicap Steeplechase. In select-

Prince Vision to win I am e of Sidney Palmer's locally led Goldy's Boy and of Ron-

l. Both have won over the p turning left-handed course-ince Vision finished last sea-

ince Vision hinished last sea-with two victories and he peared at Wolverhampton by four weeks ago to win by n lengths. He looked that day the backward for he had not for six months and he drifted he market from 5-2 to 5-1. But gave Michael Dickinson a care-e ride and improvement can be peried.

Vith 10st 11lb he has 2lb more in he carried at Wolverhampton.

m this mark he should be too a, who on their last appeares finished third and first

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amand, diver Bing, penalized Slb, also at the Southwell meeting early December, and he produced ugh speed on the run in to 1 his race by one length and a f, and he looks sure to go close another course victory in the

f, and he looks sure to go close another course victory in the istmas Cake Handicap Hurdle. suggested some days ago that rin Blackshaw, who rides ral Whistler in the Christmas x Hurdle, had an excellent ince on Friday in a £3,000 rdle race at Kagnes-sur-Mer on: Polish-bred four-year-old kard ("One of the best inpers I have ridden"), and he swered a frantic SOS from the ench trainer. M Pezeril, to fly the south of France to partner in.

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Plans were changed and the rise was declared to run on esday for the principal prize, d Blackshaw left a sick-bed at alton to get himself to London d fly to Nice at 11 am in time

d fly to Nice at 11 am in time take the mount. He finished ird and objected on the grounds at the two French jockeys in our of him had taken his ground. Talk about a rough ride", he id me yesterday. But the French ewards sustained his objection, strange event perhaps in view a certain frigidity the French rely to our jockeys, and he manged to get back to Heathrow ose to midnight, after changing anes and a long delay in Paris. If this is not trying, I do not

emper 2. Rohamus then the red 10lb and was eight lengths i a half ahead of Goldy's Boy. I might well have won the race for blundering badly at the fence when just about in

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the inclusion of the word diamond could cause offence.

De Beers first sponsored what has now become known as diamond day in 1972 and until now not a few have been of the opinion that they have not managed to achieve the full value for their sponsorship. Yet during the comparatively short time that they have been associated with the race it has been won by Brigadier Gerard and then on two occasions by the great filly, Dahlia. It would be nice to think that Allez France will be sent to Ascot next year to try to win it. Yesterday De Beers said that they are marking the inclusion of the word diamond in the title of the race by agreeing to sponsor it for another three years.

It was at a dinner given earlier.

to sponsor it for another three years.

It was at a dinner given earlier this year to mark the fiftleth anniversary of the Cheltenham Gold Cup that we heard the news that Piper Heidsieck had also guaranteed to support their race for a further three years. Next year it will be more valuable than it has ever been before because Piper Heidsieck and the Cheltenham race-course company have each agreed to put up an additional £2.000, thus increasing the added money to £25,000. The race is to be remamed the Cheltenham Piper Champagne Gold Cup. Personally I think we could do without the word Cheltenham being attached because most people know that the race is rum at Cheltenham.

On a more humble plane the Whitelaw Gold Cup is the centrepiece of the racing at Folkestone today. Run over three miles this handicap steeplechase has attracted a field of 11 and it will, I hope, be won by King Flame in spite of the fact that he has been penalized for winning his last race. So too has Arctic Amoroso, one of his principal rivals. Richard Head thinks sufficiently highly of King Flame to have said already that he

Folkestone programme

12.45 SELLINDGE HURDLE (£392 : 2m 200yd)

5-2 High Hatter, 100-50 Tudor Friendship, 4-1 Arty Crafty, Unknown Warrior, 10-1 Royal Halo, 14-1 Landpot, 20-1 others.

1.15 HAWKINGE HURDLE (Div I: £355: 2}m)

£473: 3m)

9-4 Golden Barman, 11-4 Arctic Amoroso, 7 Watch Night, 10-1 Muckden Rock, 16-1 others,

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Unknown Warrior (Mrs Miller). R. Miller. 5-12-1.
Arty Crafty (Mrs Welham). R. Head. 6-11-8...
Royal Sherry (S. Anderson). L. Holt. 5-11-8...
Let One (H. Manners). Manners. 5-10-10...
Aberlassie (L. Tattersail). R. Blakeney. 3-10-3.
The Green Rose (Mrs Green). R. Blakeney. 3-10-3.
The Green Rose (Mrs Green). R. Blakeney. 3-1.
Henry Hortzman (O. Hill). P. Haslam. 3-10-3.
Royal Maio (Mrs Winton). M. Bolton. 3-10-3...
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Bouzouki (A. Sebag-Montailore), Miss Sinclair,

1.45 WHITELAW GOLD CUP STEEPLECHASE (Handicap:

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2.15 SHADDOXHURST HURDLE (Handicap: £560: 2½m)

2.45 ALDINGTON STEEPLECHASE (Handicap: £452: 2m 100yd) 1 12-3330 Franch Society (C) (Mrs Butter), Thomson Jones, 8-11-12 2 3313-12 Indian Cottage (C) (Mrss Jameson), S. Woodman, 10-11-0

17. OO Jimmy One (J. Lee). S. Matthews. J-11-6. D. R. 15 pup-000 My Charlie (F. Hayward), Miss Sinclair, 4-11-6. R. 16 0040-20 Valuable Cols (A. Kerwood), K. Ivory, 2-11-6. G. T. 6-4 Inventory. 100-30 Central Ginger Nut. 8-1 My Charlie. 7-1 Valuable 8-1 Bent Pelham, 10-1 Meave. 16-1 others.

By Our Racing Correspondent

12.45 Arty Crafty. 1.15 Bouzouki. 1.45 King Flame. 2.15 Wild Pirate.

2.45 Indian Cottage. 3.15 Inventory.

By Our Newmarket Correspondent

2.45 French Society. 3.15 General Ginger Nut.

3.15 HAWKINGE HURDLE (Div II : £346 : 24m)

Folkestone selections

Southwell selections

opinion of King Flame who was a good hurdler but who has taken rather longer than originally anticipated to adapt to steeplechasing. However it was impossible to fault him when he won his latest race at Northingham. Arctic Amoroso beat Dream Isle decisively at Huntingdon but he has little or nothing in hand of Muckden Rock, if they are judged on their race at Polkestone in November.

Arty Crafty could be another winner for Head and his talented young jockey John Francome. He runs in the Scillinge Selling Hurdle. Bouzouki, none the worse obviously for his race on Tuesday at Plumpton, where he beat Miller Boy by six lengths, turns our again for the first division of the Hawkinge Novices Hurdle. China Bank, a decent stayer on the flat, ran well enough in three of her four races under National Hunt rules last winter to suggest that she ought to be capable of making a race of it with Bouzouki. The other division may be won by Inventory who won the Newbury Autumn Cup in September, but I am far from convinced that he has taken to hurdling and would be loth to have a ha'penny on him. Indian Cottage, beaten a neck by Garnishee at Sandown Park last month is my selection for the Aldington Handicap Steeplechase. He was, admittedly, receiving 2016 from Garnishee but on the other hand the knowledge that Garnishee has won the Massey Ferguson Gold Cup at Cheltenham in the meantime does much to inject goodness into the form and I think that Indian Cottage ought to be able to win a race of this nature carrying Ilst, receiving as he does 121b from Garnishee's rather disposinting stable companion, French Society.

OF-ICIAL SCRATCHINGS: Whithrood Northern Trophy Steeplechase. New-castle: Royal Marshall II. Blue Circle Cement Steeplechase. Accot: The Clork. All engagements: Gay Blend. Alpart. Lighting Tour, Adino dead:



Tip The Wink, winner of the Sharon Hurdle, leads the field

Captain Clover revelled in the mud to win the Menlo Park Novices' Handicap Steeplechase at Towcester yesterday. The four-year-old provided the 25-year-old lockey, Noel Flanagan, with his first winner as stable jockey to Monty Stevens, a position he took up about a month ago. Flanagan has now had 28 steeplechase winners, seven this season, added to which he had a success on the flat.

a lead three fences from home. Jumping the last clear, the bay strode away to win by eight lengths from Another Muddle, who fin ished three-quarters of a length in front of the top weight and favourite, indian Red.

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Captain Clover sails through

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Tip The Wink made every yard of the running in the Sharon Handicap Hurdle.

Southwell programme

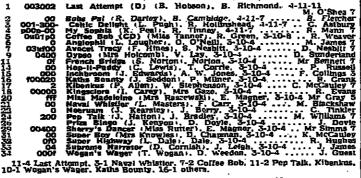
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CHRISTMAS PARTY HURDLE (Div I: 3-y-o: £170: 2m)

Beer and Skittins (M. Arsyle). R. Hollinghead, 10-12 C. Aghury
Bell-Amys (M. Uzzoli), A. Javus, 10-12-1. S. Taylor
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O Penzance (J. Van Goest). G. Vergette, 10-12 R. Weever
OO Pophywee (M. Thorne). Thorne, 10-12 Mr. King 7
O Roc Imp (W. Williams), J. Brudley, 10-12 Mr. Williams 7
O Rosamine (J. Rose). D. Ringer, 10-12 J. Penree 5
Goldburg (M. Dowds), J. Erndley, 10-12 J. Penree 5
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3-1 Beer and Skittles, 7-2 Bell-Amys, 5-1 The Grandson, 13-2 Nicky's Mac. 7-1 Shebe's Lass, 9-1 Gay Reform, 12-1 Painted Sky, 14-1 others. 1.0 CHRISTMAS BOX HURDLE (£317 : 2m)



1.30 CHRISTMAS STOCKING STEEPLECHASE (Handicap: £272: 3m 110yds)

CHRISTMAS TREE STEEPLECHASE (Handicap: £272 2m 74yds)

13-8 Prince Vision, 2-1 Ronanna, 7-2 Goldy's Boy, 5-1 Whisky Dewar, 10-1 Biankney Lad. 2.30 CHRISTMAS CAKE HURDLE (Handicap: £272: 21m) 1213-2-010ff 120000 3204p-0 37 0-30300 20 40-0010 220312-

3-1 Silver Bing, 4-1 Full Board, 9-3 Light Master, 11-2 Plobsir, 8-1 Strong Challenger, Master Biarney, 10-1 Current Folly, 12-1 others. 3.0 CHRISTMAS PARTY HURDLE (Div II: Part II; 3-y-o £170

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0 All Cash (T. Carrie), Carrie, 10-12 R. Quinn
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05 Senale (A. Cassell), G. Vergette, 10-12 P. Kelly, 7
06 Senale Larrama, G. Weaver!, M. Tate, 10-12 R. R. Evans
06 Mick The Mill (M. Meily), D. Weeden, 10-12 R. R. Evans
07 Mick The Mill (M. Meily), D. Weeden, 10-12 R. Sarry
08 Sansii (A. Cameron), A. Bastiman, 10-12 G. Griffin
5pillers Jenny (Miss Kuiter), E. Magner, 10-12 R. Hughes
10 Traction (Y. Waller), P. Milthell, 10-12 R. Hughes

By Our Racing Staff 12.0 Balanair, 12.30 The Grandson, 1.6 Naval Whistler, 1.30 Dad's Lad. 2.0 Prince Vision is specially recommended, 2.30 Silver Bing, 3.0 Mick 7-1 Polly Rocket, 9-4 Mick The Millor, 7-2 All Cash, 6-1 Blue Ridge, 8-1 Gris-Mil. 13-1 others.

the Miller. By Our Newmarker Correspondent 12.0 Stemic. 12.30 Summer Serenade. Regulvecal, b. g., by I Say—Shilly Shally (Mrs L. Prior), 4-11-0 A. Turnell (15-2) 2 Simbashi, b. h. Pinza—Julio French (Mr. B. Rylor), 5-12-4 Mr. C. Saunders (14-1) 3 Towcester results 12.50 (12.51) CARMEL HURDLE (\$238: 2m)

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2.0 (2.1) NORTHAMPTON HURDLE

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R. Pignan (8-21) 1

ALSO RAN: 3-1 Tim Ding. 10-1 Call Me King. 20-1 Jack The Ripper. 33-1 Richo's Fire, Swinging Chick (4th), 8 ran. TOTE: Win, 16p; places, 11p, 14p, 21p; dual forecast, 28p. F. Winter, al Lambourn 3l, 7l. 3,30 (2,30) JOHN CLARE STEEPLE-CHASE (Handicap: £479; 2m 50yd)

TOTE DOUBLE: Tip the Wink. Ame Folly. £18.45. TREBLE: Captain Clever, Vayatie. Pampered Miss, £4.65.

M. Staphens (2-1 fav)

Sammy's Grove, br h, by Sammy
Davis—Olive Grove (Mr K. Tuiloch), 8-10-5

A. McManns (15-1)

Night Skite, b g, by Mitsummer
Night II—Ice Carnival /bir W.
Robson, 9-10-0 P. Salman (4-1) 3 ALSO RAN: 6-1 Paradia (5th), 10-1 Coxmoor Maid, 11-1 I Like N, Toughie, 12-1 Lord Streel, 33-1 Golden Idol, Moo Six, Baron Angram, 17 ran. TUTE: Win. 49p: places, 16p. 70p. 14p. K. Sulton, at Malpas, Nk, 18i. Cork Tip was withdrawn, not under starter's creters. 2.36 (2.30) JOHN LLARS (Handicap: LATS) 2m Soyd)

Arms Folly, ch g. by Rose Kright—
Royal Silver (Mr N. James),
11-10-8 . J. Francombe (5-1) 1
Case Clarendon, br h. by Artik,
Storm—Greenogen (Mr J.
Murdoch), 6-11-10
8. R. Davies (11-8 (av))
Raster Clive, b g. by Three
Horseshoos—Ham Style (Mr B.
Aliso) RAN: 5-1 Satara Pashs (4th),
6-1 Littor. 3-3-1 Some Surprise,
Pangeno. 7 ren.
TOTE: Win. 199: places. 170, 130,
dual forecast, 29p. E. Champneys. st
Lambourn, et. 31.

8.0 (5.0) NORTHAMPTON HURDLE
(DIV II: 220-1 3m)

Similar's orders.

1.15 (1.18) DANBY STEEPLECHASE
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20p; dual forecast, 15.16. C. Lamb, at drawn, under sharler's orders.

1.45 (1.50) STREETHAM HURDLE (Div 1 £304: 2m) (Divi E304: 2m)

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Mibre (Mrs S. Lock) 5-11-12

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Willow Walk, ch f. by Farm Walk—
Market Fortune (Mr W. Barker) 2

Trumpet Dance, b g. by Klatron—Anitre (Mr W. Reid, 5-11-12)

ALSO RAN: 9-1 Bold Buccanoer, 10-1

Mary Jump, 11-1 French William, 12-1

King's Hussar, 14-1 Rehme King, Rossi
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TOTE: Win, 24p; places, 17p, 16p. TOTE: Win, 24p; places, 17p, 16p. 20p. W. A. Stophenson, at Bishop Auckland, 8i. 4i. 2.15 (3.16) ELLERTON STEEPLE-CHASE (\$272: 2m)

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Mr A. Mactaggart (20-1) 3
ALSO RAN: 5-1 fav Porest Kinn
14th, 8-1 Mullacryw, Lemon Tree, 19-1
Barble's Song, Grand Sprite, 14-1
Arcticality, 20-1 Sun Lord, 25-1 Romany
Logend, Mark of Honenr, Martial Miss,
Maneyman, Moonlight Gambler, Old
Walter, Perpetual Rhylm, Rough
Diamond, Vital Sanction, 19 ran.
TOTE: Win, 330: places, 220, 20c. TOTE: Win, 33p; places, 25p, 20p, 50p, W. A. Stephenson, at Bishop Auckland, 31, hd. Auckland. 31. hd.

3.15 (3.19) STRETTLAM MURDLE

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4-11-7 A. Meeney (20-1) 2

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4-11-7 P. Meris (7-1) 2

ALSO RAN: 9-4 fav Sky Jour. 7-2

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Way, Sherry Bird (4th), Tragecapith,

21 rsn.

TOTE: Win, £1.46: places, 43g, 96p,
36p, Gc. R. Lamb at Seahouses, 1, 21.

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TOTE DOUBLE: Wylom Boy,

Generale, Sci. Merkle.

Newcombe makes light of Dibley's service

Sydney, Dec 18.—John Newcombe, the top seed, who is battling to reach peak fitness for next week's Australian tenms championships, easily reached the last eight in the New South Wales state tournament here today.

The 30-year-old former Wimbjedon champion has been running up steep hills here this week to shed excess weight. Today, he made light of Colin Dibley's booming service to win an all-Australian third-round match by 6—4, 6—3. In the quarter-final round Newcombe will meet the eighth seed, Philip Dent, of Australia. Australia.

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Another Australian, the 40-year-old Ken Rosewall, the No 2 seed, won a tough third-round match against the American, Grocer Reid, 7—6, 4—6, 6—2. He took the first set after tralling 6—1 in the tie-break. "It's not often you win a the-break from that far behind", a relieved Rosewall said later. "I was resigned to losing the set and preparing myself for the second."

Rosewall, who admitted he was not happy with some of his shots today, plays fellow-Australian Tony Roche, in the quarter-final round.

Like Rosewall, the third seed. Alex Metreveli, of the Soviet Union, also had a hard match before reaching the last eight. He noeded three sets to dispose of an American, Alichael Machette, 6—4, 1—6, 6—3 and qualify for a quarter-final round meeting with Dick Crealy.

MEN'S SINCLES: Third round: A Metreveli (USSR) beat M. Machette (USSR) beat M

Mrs Court is surprise top seed

Melbourne, Dec 18.—Margaret Court is the surprise top seed for the Australian tennis champion ships which start here on December 26. It will be only the fourth tournament Mrs Court has played in since a 12-month lay-off during which her second child was born. She won the West Australian title in Perth on Sunday and is No 3 seed in the New South Wales championships which are cur-rently being played. The Russian Olga Morozova is second seed and Evoune Goolagong of Australia

The Wimbledon champion James Connors, the defending champion, is the top men's seed ahead of Australia's John Newcombe. Seed-

ngs: MEN: 1, J. Connors (US): 2, MEN: 1, J. Comors (US): 2, J. Newcombe; 3, A. Merreveli (USSR); 4. R. Case; 5, J. Alexander; 6, A. Roche; 7, G. Masters; 8, P. Dent.
WOMEN: 1, M. Court; 2, O. Morozova (USSR); 3, E. Goolagong; 4, K. Melville; 5, H. Gourlay; 6, K. Sawamatsu (Japan): 7, D. Fromholtz; 8, M. Navratilova (Czechoslovakla).—Reuter.

MIAMI BEACH: Under 18 ieam lournaman: Colle beat italy: Brazil beat France: United States beat Peru: Argentina beat Britain: Belgium beat South Africa; Spain beat Mexico.

CAPE TOWN: Western Province championships: Men's singles: Fourth round: F. Van Der Merwe (SA beat L. Merry (USA beat L. Merry (USA beat L. Merry (USA beat L. Wan Der Merwe (SA).

1878-1871 (SA beat A Fawent (Rhodesela), 7-6, 6-0; P. Cramer (SA) beat A. Fawent (Rhodesela), 7-6, 6-0; P. Cramer (SA) beat Men (US) beat A. Fawent (Rhodesela), 7-6, 6-0; P. Cramer (SA) beat Men (US) beat A. Fawent (Rhodesela), 7-6, 6-0; P. Cramer (SA) beat Men (US) beat A. Fawent (Rhodesela), 7-6, 6-0; P. Cramer (SA) beat Men (US) beat Miss R. Whitehouse, 7-6, 6-3; Miss L. Tenney (US) beat Miss A. Coo (GB), 6-2, 6-2.

Table tennis

Chinese will play against England
The Chinese table tennis team, who will compete in the international event, sponsored by the Norwich Union, at Brighton on January 9 to 11, will also play two international matches against England.
The first is at Thornaby on January 3 and the second at Crystal Palace on January 7. They will also play in the Cleveland three star event on January 4

Snow reports

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Cricket

Amiss sure to return for Adelaide match

From John Woodcock Cricket Correspondent Perth, Dec 18 If only this or if only that. It has been that kind of day for the England touring team, thinking of what should have been and regretting what is. Some of them practised this morning, including Amiss, who is ture to return to the side against South Australia in Adelaide on Saturday, and Edrich, who had to give up after 10 minutes because of his damaged hand. Australia, meanwhile, announced Australia, meanwhile, announced that the same 12 players will go to Melbourne for the next Test match as were on duty for the one which finished here yesterday: the 11 who won, that is, together with Jenner, the leg spin bowler, who played in the first Test in Brishane. It was thought that Wally Edwards might be dropped and McCosker, of New South Wales, brought in, but the side who won here will probably play again in Melbourne, and no one can compilain about that. They batted, bowled and fielded better

again in Melbourne, and no one can complain about that. They batted, bowled and fielded better than England.

I asked Bill Lawry on Tuesday if he missed playing Test cricket.

Not any more ", he said, "except that I'd like to have the chance of captaining those two out there ". By whom, of course, he meant Thomson and Lillee. He was speaking as someone who

he meant Thomson and Lillee. He was speaking as someone who never had a pair of fast bowlers to manouvre.

Fast howlers have always worked better in pairs. Think of Gregory and McDonald, Larwood and Voce, Lindwall and Miller, Heine and Adcock, Statham and Tyson, Trueman and Statham, Hall and Griffith. When a captain has two of this quality on his side he can keep up the pressure. On

his own in this series Lillee would have come nowhere near to winning a Test match for Australia. He is a good foil, though, for Thouson.

The Australian team for the third Test in Melbourne from December 26 to 31 is:

TEAM: 1. M. Chappell (South Australia, captain), I. R. Redpath (Victoria), G. S. Chappell (Queensland), R. Edwards (Western Australia), W. J. Edwards (Western Australia), D. K. Lillee (Western Australia), R. W. Marsh (Western Australia), R. W. Marsh (Western Australia), J. R. Thomson (Queensland), M. H. N. Walker (Victoria), K. D. Walters (New South Weles).—Reuter.

Perth. Dec 18.—Australia's new

(New South Wales).—Reuter.

Perth, Dec 18.—Australia's new fast bowler, Thomson, wants it known he is not a gorrilla of the cricket field insensitive to the injuries he causes batsmen. He says he is a pretty quiet fellow undeserving of his reputation as "the wild man of cricket".

"I don't try to hit batsmen and when I do hit them I worry that they are all right", Thomson said after wrecking England's batting in the first two Tests, in which he has taken 16 wickets and helped give Australia a commanding 2—0 lead in the six-Test series for the Ashes.

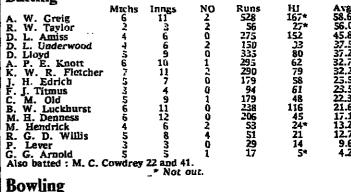
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Le broke Amiss's thumb and Edrich's hand in the first Test is Brisbane. Then in the second test in Perth he badly bruised Luckhurst's hand and forced Lloyd to retire temporarily after being felled by a ball to the pit of the stomach.

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Thomson said after his latest triumph: "When I saw Lloyd go down I was worried. It wasn't my fault, but nobody likes to get hit where he copped it."—Reuter.

MCC first-class tour averages **Batting**



D. L. Underwood 148.6 41
R. G. D. Willis 129 16
C. M. Old 107.2 13
F. J. Titmus 112 15
A. W. Greig 170.1 37
G. G. Arnold 135.2 17
P. Lever 89.7 8
Also bowled: Fletcher, 1—0—5—0.—Reuter.

Key match in colts division involves two left-handers

(Marlborough), tall and free-hitting, plays N. B. F. Hubbard (Clifton), who whacks the ball about the court, and the No 2 By Our Rackets Correspondent Clifton and Malvern placed two boys, Eton, Halleybury, Harrow and Marlborough one each in the the schools rackets' championships at the Queen's Club yesterday. The only winner in difficulties was the left-handed A. J. B. McDonald Malvern, the third seed.

McDonald, after losing two points for the first many property. R. M. Tindall (Harrow). The last named pair are left handers and their meeting could prove to be a the left-handed A. J. B. McDonald Malvern, the third seed.

McDonald, after losing two points for the first game, eventually beat another left hander, P. E. S. Wallis (Haileybury), by 16—17, 15—10, 15—3, and it could be that his equipoise was disturbed by the fact that he had been close to a bomb the previous evening. His usually neat and fluent game trembled.

Wallis, had he been a shade more consistent, might have got away with the march. He returned a lot of surprising shots but missed a host of easier ones, especially while taking service. Neither player was a strong server though both won many points from it.

The tall Tindall was aggressive against his fellow Harrovian G. A. J. B. de Lotbindere. Rosser was thoroughly competent against his fellow Harrovian G. A. J. B. Lillyman (Marlborough) who worked hard enough to deserve more than five points. 18—16, 15—6; N. Col. S. SinCLES: Third round. A. W. L. Waistonholme (Malvern) beat more than five points. 15—0, 15—0; H. J. Carter (Rughty) away with the march. He returned a lot of surprising shots but missed a host of easier ones, especially while taking service. Neither player was a strong server though both won many points from it.

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The question now arises as to who will challenge H. R. Murray-Philipson (Eton) in the top half of the draw; McDonald, T. M. Capes (Clifton), or R. M. Gradon (Haileybury). Deal Wolmenton (Haileybury) and the marches in rwo games with nut really being forced to show how strong they are when the ball comes back laster and more frequently.

In the lower half D. K. Watson key one.
The tall Tindall was aggressive

American dashes Italian hopes of a double

Madonna di Campiglio, Italy, Dec 18.—Skiling the way that has made him current world champion, Italy's Pierino Gros today avenged his defeat in yesterday's slalom with a brilliant win in the World Cup giant slalom here. Crouching low and attacking all the way, the 19-year-old Gros covered the two legs of the 1,480-metre course with 65 gates and a 322-metre drop in a total of 3min 05.38sec.

Second was 21-year-old Gregory Jones, of the United States, who covered the course in India 51.51sec in the second run after lying seventh after the first. His total was 3min 06.08sec. "After the first run 1 thought I had a chance and I felt really good on "Italy", 25 pts: 6, E. Haker (Norway), 173 pts: 6, E. Haker (Norway), 213 pts: 6, E. Haker (Norway), 214 pts: 6, E. Haker (Norway), 215 pts: 6, E. Haker (N

Identical defeat for Oxford

From A Special Correspondent
Davos, Dec 18

For the third year in succession
Cambridge have convincingly won
the university skiing. Today in the
slalom the aggregate of the four
fastest times clocked by the Cambridge team was 26.4sec ahead
of the Oxford total, a victory
margin identical to that achieved
in the glant slalom on Tuesday.
Once again outstanding performances from the Scots, Colin
Robertson, the team captain, and
Douglas Low, carved the Cambridge lead with aggregate times
over the two runs of Imin 11.8sec
and Imin 11sec respectively. They
were 6.2sec ahead of their nearest
rival and the only possible threat
to them in the individual event
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A similar pattern to the giant
slalom emerged with the positions of Nicholas Morris and
Andrew Reicher, who were again

Apprentice has **517** wins

back in action

Laurel, Maryland, Dec 17.—
Guly 10 months after winning his
first race. Christopher McCarron,
a 19-year-old apprentice jockey,
has set an American record for
horse racing victories in a year.
During yesterday's meeting here
he won the seventh on Apres
Yous to bring his total, so far Vous to bring his total, so far this year, to 517 wins. Sandy Hawley, of Canada, set the former record of 515 victories in 1973.—
AFP.

anes and a long delay in Paris. If this is not trying, I do not flow what is, and if there has ten a precedent for an objection y an English jockey in France of the two French jockeys who mished in front of him. I have et to bear of it. Southwell is not the apparatus in midet to hear of it. Southwell is not use as glamorous in mid-lecember as the south of France, or Blackshaw is ready to go any-there, and I hope the £200 self-og race comes his way this fternoon. 12.50 (12.51) CARMEL MORDLE (\$236) 2m)

Blakadown, hr g, by Even Monay Olave (Mr N. Hickman), 6-12-0

W. Shoemark (2-1)

Hill Lays, b g, by Proud Alson Mr S. Morshead (2-1)

Persian King, b g, by Tamertan-12-1

Persian King, b g, by Tamertan-14-11-0

Gilboa (Mr J. Barter) 4-11-0

ALSO RAN: 9-2 Stocking (4th), 8-1

Anglesey Royal, 6-2

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Total Albance Sorrois, Layender Trousers, Straight Tickie, Ray of Light, Recorded Delivery, 15 ran.

TOTE: Win, 30p; places, 14p, 17p, 15p, D. Gandbilo, at Wantage, 31, 51, 100, 410, Menley Park STEEPLE-Knockroe may be Knockroe may be back in action text flat season. He has been in reland since October and will tave a couple of races over surfles in the new year.

Knockroe's temperament is well mown. In 1973, after finishing second to Rheingold in the John Porter Stakes he ran three disappointing races and his trainer, Major Nelson, was on the verge of retiring him. Knockroe missed the 1974 flat season because of a back injury and is now with the lrish trainer, Adrian Maxwell. TOTE: Win, 399 Mentage. 21, 31.

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- 10-0 ... N. Flanagan (5-2)
Another Maddle, b h. by Entanglement—Another Message (Mrs M.
Richards). 5-20-6 [over 190-1; 2]

Indian Red, ch 9, by Captretto—
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**Billa Bounty. b 9. by Bounteous-Miranda (Mr. K. Dudfield). 3-10-11 . Mr. G. Jones (23-11 3 ALSO RAN: 7-2 Cochineat, 8-1 Chier Scout. 12-1 Race Riot (4th.) 14-1 Mesden. 12-1 Rese Riot (4th.) 14-1 Mesden. 16-1 Serbann, X-1 Christmas Chorids. Mild Cheese. 10 ran. TOTE: Win. 24p: places. 14p. 15p. 20p: dual foreast. 51p. 9. Mellor. at Lambourn. 41, 51. Al. *al.

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—dam's name unregistered (Mr
L. Irving), 4-12
M. Barnes (10-1), 3
ALSO RAN: 2-1 Regay Kempley, 2-1 New Wine, 8-1 Acid Orch, 10-1
Little Spice, Treasure Charge, 10-1
Saller Dam (4th), 20-1 Last Approach, 10-1
TOTE: Win, 21-34; places, 34p, 45p, 25p; dual foretast, 211-35. J. Howis, at Northalterion, 51, 3].

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TOTE DOUBLE: Wylom Boy,
Geenada. £3.35. TREBLE: Sparkle
Again, Tatters Inn, Lido Light, £197.45,

Ice bockey NATIONAL LEAGUE: Boston Bruins 5. Atlanta Flames 3: 51 Louis Blors R. New York Islanders 4: Vancouver Canucks 3, Washington Capitols 2.

Making a common cause of military détente in Europe

The negotiations on the reduction of armed forces and armaments in Central Europe which began in Vienna on October 30, 1973, should result in easing the military confrontation in that region, where large contingents of ground and air forces and also considerable quantities of nuclear weapons are concen-

How can this be achieved? The parties to the negotiations stressed come up with different answers nuclear commitments to the to this question.

Underlying the position of Western states is the proposal to carry out asymmetrical reductions of only ground forces of Nato and the Warsaw Treaty states (first of all reductions by the Soviet Union and the United States). The concept of the " disproportions " existing, so the Western representatives

assert, between the ground forces of the two groupings in Central Europe, was put forward to reinforce this proposal, according to which the socialist states should cut their armed forces by three times as many men as the Western states.

Is that approach justified? In order to answer this question it is necessary to analyse the correlation of Nato and Warsaw Treaty forces in the zone where the reductions are to be made. Naturally, a correct assessment of the balance of forces of the two sides can be made only if due account is taken of all the components of the armed forces and armaments which form an organically connected whole in each given case. Closely cooperating in these complexes are foreign and national ground and air forces, and also units and sub-units equipped with nuclear

Of course, there are differences in the composition of the armed forces of the two groupings in the centre of the

continent of Europe.

The personnel and the number of weapons of individual types of armed forces and arms were determined by the sides in the light of many factors, and, in particular, by the material and financial possibilities and manpower resources available in each state

to place emphasis on the mass build-up in Central Europe of nuclear weapons and the means of delivering them, as these were considered to be more effective than conventional

In his annual report to the United States Congress, published in the spring of this year, Mr James R. Schlesinger, the Secretary of Defence, stressed that "American security " of Nato members were firm.

Following the example of western states, the socialist countries could take one type of armed forces or armaments and talk in Vienna about, for example, the reduction of nuclear weapons alone. That road, however, would take the parties away from a search for a practical solution to the problems of mutual reductions of armed forces and armaments in Central Europe-the task which was unanimously approved by all of them during last year's preparatory consulta-

Why, then, are the western representatives continuing to evade an examination of the overall balance of armed forces and armaments in Central Europe? Perhaps this can be explained by the fact that the alignment of armed forces and armaments between Nato and the Warsaw Treaty states, taken as a whole, is characterized in

tions in Vienna.

Strategic Studies in London. The existing balance of forces in Central Europe has been recognized by leaders of western countries in the past and is recognized today. The annual report of the United States Department which has fence Department, which has already been mentioned, points out that there is an approximate balance between the immediately available forces and the Warsaw Pact in the Central Region. At the same time, Mr Schlesinger referred to "important quantitative and qualitative advantages" of Nato states in a number of types of material As early as the fifties, for and arms (anti-rank weapons, instance, western states decided modern fighter planes, etc.), and



Mr James Schlesinger: Important advantages for Nato.

also logistical support. Similar ideas have been expressed by officials not only in the United States but in other Nato states as well.

Sir Alec Douglas-Home, as Britain's Foreign and Common-wealth Secretary in the last Conservative Government, said that a reduction of armed forces in Central Europe would not upset the existing balance of forces. Similar statements have been made by leaders of the Federal Republic of Germany. The attempt made by western states, in assessing the balance of forces of the two sides only on the basis of ground forces and only on the basis of two indices at that (on the numerical strength of personnel and the number of tanks), without taking into consideration either other types of armed forces and armaments or other arms of the services within the ground forces proper, gives a false pic-

ture of the real state of affairs

in Central Europe. What is types of armed forces-foreign more, the data cited in the West concerning the numerical strength of ground forces require some verification. For the reduction area. In practice this means two instance, when estimating the

overall strength of the Nato ground forces, the western representatives do not include in them the air defence forces, which number tens of thousands of men. At the same time they include the air defence troops in the ground forces of the Warsaw Treaty states. It is also known that about 120,000 West German civilians are employed in the foreign armed forces stationed on West German territory, and the majority of them perform the same function as are performed by servicemen in Soviet armed forces stationed in the area for which reductions are proposed.

The figures for the number of tanks also need verification. The western side ignores the fact that the United States is keeping 5,000 tanks in depots in West Germany and that replen-ishments have been effected in other Nato states. These figures, however, considerably change the picture of the balance of forces of the two groupings in this field.

Taking into account the existing balance of armed forces and armaments between the Nato and Warsaw Treaty states, and also the decisions arrived at in the preparatory consultations, it becomes clear that a military détente can be achieved in this region through equal commitments by all the negotiating parties regarding the reduction of ground forces, air forces and armaments, including nuclear weapons (ex-cluding the navy, as was specified in the agreement reached in the preparatory consulta-tions). Such a reduction should embrace both foreign and national components of the armed forces. There are no other categories of armed forces in Central Europe. The socialist states have always proceeded from this fact.

The same opinion was voiced by the western states in a spe-cial declaration adopted at the Nato council's session in Rome in 1970.

It stated that there were two

armed forces and the armed forces of the states situated in

kinds of commitment the with drawal of foreign troops and all their armaments and material, and the disbanding of national troops and the removal of ments and material from their fighting strength. There is no other way of reducing the military confrontation in the agreed area of Central Europe. Military detente is a common cause and therefore all the states which are potential parties to the future agreement (or agreements) must be involved in the murual reduction of armed forces and armaments. This means that they have to undertake definite commitments with regard to the reduction of their armed forces. Promises by West European participants in the negotiations and also by Canada to cut their armed forces in the second stage, or in the indefinite future, cannot be

any substitute for this. The draft agreement submisted by the delegation of the Soviet Union, West Germany, Poland and Czechoslovakia on November 8, 1973, provides for a clear-cut programme of measures for the reduction-a programme thoroughly worked out as regards dates and quantities. The draft agreement proceeds on the basis of the realities ex isting in Central Europe, does not upset the alignment of forwhich has taken shape there and does not provide unilateral military advantages.

In the negotiations in Vienna mutually acceptable solutions can be found only on condition that the principle of the undiminished security of all the parties is observed.

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The Director of the Internatio nal Institute for Strategic Studies, Dr Christoph Bertram, will reply tomorrow.

can strengthen the UN The United Nations General have put much of the blame on Assembly has just been having Mr Abdelaziz Bouteflika, the Algerian Foreign Minister, who one of its stormiest sessions for some years. It has shown once again how the developing counhas been this year's President of the Assembly, accusing him tries, when they vote together, can carry all before them, and it of using his position for parti-

How the new mood of militancy

How things will go in the

having lost all their leverage, and this showed in the debates

on Cambodia and Korea, two

areas of concern to the Chinese.

South Korea.

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to stay. It shows particularly

on economic issues, where many

of the developing countries are

heartened by the success of the oil weapon, and it feeds on a sense of resentment towards the

Ivor Richard, the British Per-

resentments to come out into the open, and "blown away

dialogue with

can carry all before them, and it has done so in ways that have particularly upset the western countries. There have been was nothing they could do angry accusations of illegality and of "tyranny of the of "tyranny of the majority."

The angriest of all came from Mr John Scali, the American representative. But British, French and West German speakers have all joined in calling on the majority to pay some attention to the views of the minority, and not simply to push through resolutions by force of numbers. If these views are ignored, they have argued, it will make the resolutions unrealistic.

There is of course nothing new about the West not getting its way in the General Assembly. Britain has regularly been out-voted on colonial questions, and American dominance ended spectacularly in 1971 with the vote to admit China. Each year scores of resolutions are passed against the wishes of the western countries, but have tended to be ineffective.

The difference this year is that wavs have been found of using the numerical majority of the developing countries so that they can have a real impact on major international issues. This is true, for instance, of South Africa. The campaign against it at the United Nations, the fact that only the British, French and American vetoes saved it from expulsion, and the subsequent decision to exclude it from this year's General Assembly, have clearly been a factor in South African calcula-

Something of the same is true of Mr Yassir Arafat, the leader of the Palestine Liberation Organization, and his regal reception at the United Nations. There is no other way in which Mr Arafat could have got this international consecration, and this in itself makes the event a factor in the Middle East complex.

In both cases, western delegates have complained about

He points out that several of the developing countries who replied to Mr Scali's speech did so in moderate terms which showed awareness of the need

industrialized world. The of the western countries, sho be to detach these count from the "revolutionaries" work with them on setting L new international econo order which would take ev

one's interests into account Now that it has shed imperial trappings, Britain enormous opportunities at United Nations, Mr Rich finds, providing it learns ! future has still to be seen. The Western countries are far from to use them. He finds that tain can still exert influe; partly for historical reasons, partly also because of its li with the United States and v the other members of the Er pean Economic Community, This year Britain and

The Americans succeeded in beating off a Chinese attempt to expel the Lon Nol regime and replace it with Prince other members of the Europ Sibanouk. They also defeated Community have in fact b a Chinese move to dismantle cooperating more than e before, consulting on alm every point that comes the United Nations command in The Chinese, in fact, have not come out of the session very in achieving a common positi well, since they lost on both these votes. Nor have the Rus-sians, who had no big initiatives of their own, and tended to folor in voting on the same si but they have had some a cesses, such as their jo decision to abstain on the m resolution on Palestine month.

There is, however, a new militancy among the developing countries, and this is presum-This cooperation gives members greater "muscle".
Richard says, as well as greater protection. It has now got the point where any memiof the European Commun who wants to vote different from the rest feels the need least to justify what he doing.

West. Many speakers have pointed out that the Western As to the United Nations general Mr Richard thinks t countries paid little attention to the others when they them-selves controlled a majority. its achievements are oft. underestimated. He points the work it has done this ye So far as Britain is concerned, there appear to be no grounds for despair about the on economic problems of a developing world, to the secess of the Security Council way the United Nations is stopping the fighting betwee Iran and Iraq, and to the effi-tiveness of the United Nation going. At least according to Mr manent Representative. Mr Richard thinks that this year's debate on the "tyranny of the majority" has been a useful one, because it has allowed presence in the Middle East a in Cyprus.

The question that has arise this year, he says, is how il United Nations should be use Is it to be used as an instr ment for revolutionary or gress, or as a body white brings sovereign governmen together and respects the varying attitudes?

Peter Straffor

Raymond Fletcher

Choose your truth and stick to it

Tell the truth, wrote Oscar not (in our genteel parliamen-Wilde, and you will sooner or tary phraseology uttering ter-later be found out. This minological inexactitudes. He is aphorism, which has inspired merely stating a truth, refracted many a politician out of favour, through the prism of his own out of office and sometimes out belief that the capitalist system of his seat, ought, like all pieces of wittily concentrated wisdom, to lift the spirits of all 635 of us as we prepare for the Christ-

For, oddly enough, there is Keith Joseph insists, that most a surfeit of truth. Never in of our industries are overhistory have so many political manned. prophets proclaimed so much of it to so many. Huge slabs of it are hurled at readers of leading articles. Three-minute snippets of it go out almost hourly from radio and television studios. Book-loads of it are stacked on the shelves of libraries every day. And thousands of computers click and flash incessantly as they arrange, condense and reveal it Yet this information explosion, far from creating an informed citizenry, has had precisely the opposite effect. We are all more bewildered than our great-grandfathers, who blithely unaware that Britain had had a visible trade deficit throughout most of its trading history, went on working and investing to such effect that much of the world's spare money was attracted to London as though by the law of gravity. But their seemingly secure

world began to dissolve in a sea of information even before the First World War. Even the law of gravity itself was, in effect, repealed by Einstein, whose mathematical thought spilled over into other areas and produced one result almost as awful as the nuclear bomb. This was the discovery that there is no

such thing as The Truth. There are only fragmented truths, all relative.
When Mr Heath, therefore, urges Mr Wilson to tell the people the truth about our economic problems, and implies that he himself has been doing this very thing all along, he is

The other day, under the head-

ing "Good news", I printed an interview with Shepherd Mead,

an American writer who, un-usually for these times, is optimistic about the world's future. This provoked an enthusiastic letter from Frank

Goodridge of Wimbledon, who

gestions for the improvement

Parkinson's Law, on a project which they believe will save the

fame in Belgium for his fight

against the local Medical Coun-

cil, who struck him off the register for claiming that Man

could live for 1,000 years. He

was sent to prison for practis-

ing while suspended, though he

successfully appealed last month against another spell in-

side. His patients, whom he claims range from gypsies to

princesses, have not abandoned

The doctor's offer is in-finitely alluring, for who does not secretly desire the elixir of eternal youth, even if the world is going down the drain?

Dr Le Compte has gained

of our condition ".

is the best system we have got. It is true that profits are too low. It is true that taxation on them is excessive. It is true mas recess. But I fear it will that wages are rising too fast do no such thing.

and too much. It is true, as Sir

> But let me assure my readers (most of whom, judging by my correspondence, seem to be Tories) that my acceptance of these refracted truths does not mean that I am about to slip quietly over to the wrong side of Smith Square in London and be received into the Conservative Party as converts are received into the Catholic Church. Far from it.

For it is equally true, as stated by Mr Wilson and Mr Jack Jones, that profits have been grossly misused (even by —indeed especially by—capitalist standards), that they have been generated by the wrong kind of economic activity kind of economic activity (again by capitalist standards) and quite inadequately invested

(by any standards). There are, I repeat, plenty of truths floating around trying to find harbours for themselves. But, with so many truths, is there any wonder that so many with the objective certainties of the racing results than the insult-coated views that are thrown daily from one side of the House of Commons to the

other? Yet conscience doth make politicians of us all. I cannot go into retreat, so to speak, so long as I believe (and my beliefs, like everyone's, consti-tute my truth) that a skilled miner is worth as much to this nation as a competent columnist, that hospital porters do more good for more people than I do and that their value should be

reflected in their wages, and that Mr Alfred Morris's selfless work for the disabled deserves all the organized support I am able to muster for it.

But let me get back to the larger world. Nobody has more effectively allegorized our present situation than M Pierre Boulle (whose original, Swiftian Pierre of the Angels has become wood). In a lesser-known tale, The Age of Wisdom, M Boulle envisaged a united world which has solved its according to the stall presently demonstrate in a rather offen. Planet of the Apes has become a growth industry in Hollyhas solved its economic problems but in which two schools of thought organize themselves

into political parties.

There is the Corpuscular party, dedicated to the proposition that everything in the universe is composed of electrons. And there is the Undulist party, equally fanatically committee to the view that "waves are the ssence of the world and that the electron is an illusion created by the imperfection of our senses and measuring instru-

ments ...

Both parties decide, independently of each other, that some great project is needed in order to settle their differences, one way or the other, and thus remove all conflict from this best of all possible worlds. So they set out, armed with a technology beyond our nightmares, to raise the temperature at the icecaps to benefit the Eskimoes and to lower it at the Equator to make life more bearable for people there. They certainly demonstrate that they can both do it. But they wipe out both peoples

in the process.

There has to be a moral to everything written so near to Christmas. Mine can be only the chilly one that it is not only the politicians who have brought this nation to the abyss. It is you lot, out there, who will not choose a truth, live by it and work for it. C Times Newspaper Ltd, 1974

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How goes thee-fight, warriors? The answer is supplied by Macbeth: So foul and fair a day I have not seen. In other words, though the pestilence rages still,

apparently unabated, there is good, audible reason to believe that the enemy's nerve is crum-bling, and that we may soon have him on the run. failing; but there are unmistakable signs that someone in authority is telling them to stop

it, and that they wish, at any rate, to obey. The World Tonight, for instance, on December 11 (Radio 4) was absolutely ess from beginning to end, with the exception of the contribution of Dominic Harrod, who made up (down, I suppose) for half a dozen otherwise excellent voices by not only scattering his thees all over his contribution "thee-news from New York ... thee—richest of thee—Middle East oil producers "), but compounded his offence by his repeated use of that hideous upward scoop at the end of a phrase that used to be the trademark of Chris Underwood until

he reformed. If he can, so can Harrod; let him do so forthwith. Three of the worst offenders on ITN—Sandy Gall, Giles Smith and Andrew Gardner—have all been heard, since I last reall been heard, since I last reported, trying to do better; it is clear, however, that the habit is now so deeply ingrained that it will take a long course of persecution by me to make them get rid of it entirely. Gall, for instance, said on December 5th (News at Ten), everyone in thee—country . . . thee—Zambian Government . . . thee—different nationalist move--different nationalist movements . . . thee-Football Association Secretary ... thee—
thirty thousand strong Turkish
invasion force ... thee—draw
for thee—semi-final. On December 11th, he rattled off thee—

study. I have known the man for many years, and hold him

In the same programme, Andrew Gardner started off in

Which brings me to Reginald

out protest, and on the very evening of the day my com-ment appeared (December 5) he gave us, on News at Ten, so many thees that I was unable to write them all down, and therefore offer here only a selection:

thee-National Board

thee—police thee—Government say

velopment Council thee Department of the Environment thee—Coal Board's productivity scheme

thee—Bakers' Federation thee—Minister and, for good measure, ay new torture
ay pachydermatous
to the bread strike.

rooms at once, I could not swear the hardest time over this, and that my research was exhaustive. would not let me leave the party cost of the operation will not, as I asserted, be borne by the British taxpayer (which means us) but by the European taxuntil I had sworn to print Kirk's

is true, he did manage to record his vote "against the Government's monstrous proposals to impose yet further taxes upon the self-employed". He adds that I was wrong to say he sped from London Airport in an official car. It was a bourg I chronicled last week. It privately hired (though publicly was his fiercely loyal secretary funded) vehicle.

Finally, he points out that the LAMIN UPYTOSO

Today's puzzling sign was photographed at an underpass in the Barbican, London, by E. Stekel of Harringay, who says that although he measures less than 15'8", he has no difficulty

Bernard Levin

the way things were done. They for

A case of thee less said the better Now this Bosauquet deserves berly" for probably, and then mady. I have known the man —perhaps even that effort many years, and hold him being too great—contracted the

himself, why does he not stop

There is an explanation-

an excuse for the habit. Most of the offences are committed

under the influence of the tele-

prompter; the villains are read-ing their text and want to make

ir sound spontaneous, so they use this horrible and illiterate

device to that end. Unfortu-

nately, it does not make their

words sound spontaneous; it

makes them sound more artifi-

cial, stilted and ignorable. We

had a perfect example of that truth on News at Ten on Decem-

ber 11; after Sandy Gall's horrible thee-ridden delivery,

the ear was soothed and attracted by an amateur. It was the taxi-driver who chased

the men suspected of throwing the bomb at the Naval and Military Club; his account of

the matter had a dozen or more

definite articles in it, and every

one, without exception, was

pronounced correctly. The con-sequence, of course, was that the taxi-driver sounded like an

doing it?

hanging issue ... thee—Naval and Military Club ... thee—Chief of Staff of thee—Provisional IRA ... thee—German magazine ... thee—self-styled British spy ... thee—Confedera-tion of British Industry ... thee —Chancellor of the Exchequer . . thee-capital

magnificent style, hardly com-mitting a single thee in the first half of the programme; unfortunately, he broke down completly in Part II, offering 11 thees and an ay for good measure, all of which I have noted for my forthcoming monograph on him.

Bosanquet. When I last re-ported from the front, I indicated my feeling that Gardner is the worst criminal of the lot. Clearly, I must have stung Reggie, never a man to allow himself to be surpassed with-

thee—pub bombings

thee—single-storey building
thee—National Economic De-

thee—stated membership thee—Government conciliation service thee-Bakers' Union

interesting human being, and Gall sounded like a boring waxwork, as did Desmond Hamill (December 5, News at Ten) with "thee—side-street . . . thee—police . . . thee—Criminal Justice Act", Giles Smith (but he, too, is trying) with (same programme, same night) "thee-motorway limit . . thee-limit on other roads . . . thee—first candidate . . . thee—seventy-five pence gallon " (Smith, as if to show that his illiteracies are not limited to the definite arricle, also offered "prob-

same word even further, to probbly "), Peter Woods (BBC dear; many's the glass we have raised in each other's company.

I know him to be a good egg, and I am also reasonably sure that the things on either side of his head are ears, and not cunsimally about 15 meters. The content of Ramsingh about 15 meters of Ramsingh about 15 meters of Ramsingh about 15 meters. bouillet (he pronounced the difficult Rambouillet perfectly ningly shaped blobs of plasticine. Why, then, can he not hear himself mangling and dewhy should he serve a foreign bauching the language in this manner? Or if he can bear

language more faithfully than his own?), and an unnamed female news reader on the 6 pm News (BBC Radio 4) on December 8, who rattled off theefour African nationalist organizations... thee—normally moderate ANC ... thee—decision of Rhodesia's African nationalist leaders . . thee—signing ceremony . . thee—South African Prime Minister . . . theebody of U Thant ... thee-

space-tracking group . . . thee -- Chairman of British Leyland ... thee-National Union of Students thee—Bakers' Union (which last, incidentally, she provided with a General "Seckertary").

The Campaign for Noisier Illiteracy does not, of course, confine itself to mispronouncing the definite article and inserting an artificial, unneces-sary and distracting pause after it; as many fellow-warriors have pointed out, almost every preposition is treated similarly, by being wrongly stressed and followed by a pause which does nothing but destroy the meaning of what is being said. Such extensions of the thee-principle have not escaped me, and I shall examine them, too; I shall also publish studies of the weather-reports readers (some of whom are among the very worst offenders) and of the extent to which public mer who are resident. lic men who are neither pro-fessional broadcasters nor professional speakers have nevertheless caught the plague (we have recently had Dr Derek Stevenson of the BMA giving

Does the price include a

thee-switch-over" and M Stretton of the Bakers Union putting in his bid with "some thing for thee members); bu today I shall conclude as before and as will be my regular prac-tice, with a roll of honour. Top of it is Mr Kenneth Kendall, of BBC Television; in

deed, every offender on every channel should simply be told to listen to him; his delivery has none of the empty manner isms of the others, his voice is perfectly pitched, his text accurately stressed. His news-reading is a pleasure to the ear, and-mark this, you Bosanquets, Gard ners. Smiths, Galls, Woodses. Hardcastles—it is also much better at its job, which is, after all, conveying information. Because he speaks English instead of thee-horrible non-language heard elsewhere, the mind attends to him more easily and he feeds it more effectively. Almost as good is Mr Richard Baker, who shows, incidentally, that a voice need not be free of all idiosyncrasies (as, for in

stance, Mr Kendall's is) to be

an instrument that a literate

man can use to convey meaning

attractively. Of the reporters, Keith Halfield keeps up his excellent standard, and is joined by Anthony Carthew ; Christine Eade, of the BBC's political staff, spoke a thee-less and generally excellent piece on the 6 pm Radio Four news on December 5, marred only by "tempory" for temporary; and David Tonge may shortly qualify for a Reformed Sinner Badge, his report from Athens on December 8 (BBC) evening news bulletin) being, 1 think, his first thee-less delivery since I started the campaign. 0:

us "thee—doctors are steamed up", Sir Don Ryder offering Times Newspaper Ltd, 1974

House, their representatives, un-

The Times Diary

Good news: how to live to be 1,000

thinks I should make a regular feature of "ideas, however nuty, that offer practical sugthe body, and strengthen the system by administering huge doses of vitamins, either orally or by injections. At 45 he is Right, then. To start, how about Herman Le Compte, a Belgian doctor? He is collaborating with Professor C. Northcote Parkinson, author of a living advertisement for his theories, exuding energy from his compact frame. So, too, is his sculptress wife Begga d'Haese and their nine children. Parkinson wrote the introduction to the doctor's book You don't have to be mad, but it may help. Parkinson later realized that the doctor's theories could be combined with his own to save the world. The professor believes civilization is declining because we do

not eat properly. The two men have been in deep consultation for two weeks inside the doctor's plush villa at Knokke-le-Zoute, in the heart of Belgium's Costa Geriatrica, or Beigum's Costa Geriatrica, outlining a joint book. Time is short. The professor believes that Western civilization will have collapsed by the year 2000, with Russia making the last stand. Their book is to be called The Law of Life, and should be out before down de-

I hear that Edward Heath is planning to go to Jamaica next month. Before his rivals for the leadership start throwing their hats into the ring or the air, I must add that he also plans to come back, though it is still interesting to speculate whether the trip's purpose will be to restore his forces for the defence of his crown, or to get himself out of the limelight for a bit, having renounced it. His spokesman denies that either interpretation is appropriate.

Lurobash

Tuesday night's Christmas party at the Kensington headquarters of the European Communities provided evidence that the Labour Party's reconciliation with Europe is by no means a foregone conclusion. Although a substantial array of Conserva-tive front-bench talent (if that is the word) attended, I saw no member of the Government at His methods are to try to stop should be out before doom de the decaying process within scends. was flowing copiously from three passing through.

Among the first people I met was an old friend from the Soviet embassy who reminded me that the last time we met at a party I recorded the fact in this column, reporting his view that Britain would survive the difficulties which then, as now, faced us. I asked him whether he was still hopeful that we would win through, and he smiled. "Not win through", he said. "Muddle through, per-

In spite of the absence of Labour people, I found the Eurofolk optimistic about the chance of Britain staying in the Community following the Paris summit. Indeed, it was an unusually festive evening. I was even received cordially by Peter Kirk, the prize Eurocommuter whose dash to and from Luxem-bourg I chronicled last week. It

rejoinder, which you see below. So read on Eurodash Peter Kirk has written a good-

humoured rejoinder to my item last week recording his epic dash from the European Parliament in Luxembourg to London and back. I reported that he failed by four minutes in his main aim—to vote in the Commons hanging debate. He points out that, while this

House of Commons is becoming the place where Neil Kinnock, MP, brings oppressed people to MP, brings oppressed people to talk about their oppression. Last week he presented Angela Davis, who spoke on behalf of oppressed black people. Yesterday, even more exotically, he was in the company of a team of young and attractive croupiers, of both sexes, from the Casanova Club in Mayfair.

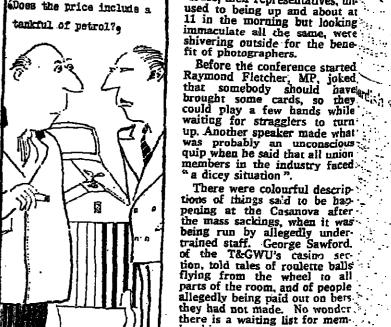
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The Trouble at the Casanova The Trouble at the Casanova Club sounds like a detective story by Dorothy L. Sayers, but it is real enough. The club sacked 75 of its employees for taking part in industrial action. Kidnock spoke of "old-fashioned Victorian managerial"

payer (which means us and them). I have now received what I take to be an authoritative ruling on what the Germans call shell-fish. Margarith Moody of the International Council for the Exploration of the Sea in Copenhagen, and she should know, says shrimps are Garneen or Speisekrabbe, the crab is Taschenkrebs and crayfish are Krebse or Flusskrebse. Committee Room 7 at the

> repression " and later said that the situation was "straight out of Charles Dickens". Croupiers work

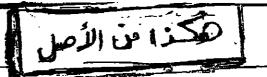
vilege and the concept of their taking industrial action seems slightly ridiculous, though they are certainly serious enough about it. When I arrived at the



people of great wealth and pri-

Quote of the week from Jennifer, author of Jennifer's Diary in Harpers and Queen interviewed on Desert Island Discs: "Yes, Pm a real old Cockney. I was how in Cadogan Gardens."

bership.



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR



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WAGE INFLATION GATHERS PACE

'esterday's latest pay statistics to the more than 32 per cent rate there is always the difficulty of om the Department of Employ-ient fully corroborate, though tent for absolutely prove, the scent foreboding of the National stitute of Economic and Social esearch that the pay restraints the social contract are being eached across a wide front. In e first four months of the cial contract—from the end of ily to the end of Novemberisic weekly rates of wages for I manual workers in all indusies and services rose at an mual rate of over 32 per cent. The broad theory of the social ntract is that pay should not se faster than is necessary to eserve the real purchasing wer of earned incomes. This nuld have implied an annual

te of increase in pay of about per cent in the second half of is year. The much more rapid actual te has, of course, owed much threshold payments in the tal period of Mr Heath's illarred experiment with a form wage indexing. Since the end July something not far short half the labour force has nefited from five threshold yments worth at least 1 per nt each as an addition to the sic wage rates of all manual

of increase in wage rates recorded since July.
In addition the end of the

statutory restraints under Mr Heath's Stage Three unleashed what can sanguinely be regarded as a number of once and for all adjustments in pay that should not properly be included in the annualized rate of increase in wages since July. But it would still take exceptional optimism to reconcile the remaining rate of increase in pay with the price standard embodied in the social contract.

Moreover, there is now clear anecdotal evidence that settlements are being sought and achieved on the basis of projected future rates of inflation, projected, needless to say, on the most pessimistic assumptions. As the National Institute rightly explained that makes 20 per centand-more inflation a self-fulfilling prophecy and destroys the vital nexus in the social contract between current pay increases, past price increases and future productivity gains.

The Government will be tempted, as ministers always are when faced with partial evidence that their economic policies may be breaking down, to wait and see. There is always the hope that rkers. That alone would have see. There is always the hope that things may turn out better; and

relationship. As the Australian electorate has constitutional

machinery to settle it on the spot, Britain side-stepped this invidious

issue. Mr Whitlam is apparently

not quite satisfied with Britain's

answer, and intends to whittle

Agents-General in London as part

of the process of phasing out the

Labour colleague in distress as

far as prudence permits. But it is possible he will also want to

know why Labour's fortunes have

fallen so low in Australian condi-

tions so soon after Mr Whitlam's

election victory in May. The

answer has little to do with states'

rights. It is firstly to be found in

the Government's failure to con-

trol the wages-prices spiral, so

that inflation, approaching 21 per

cent, is running actually ahead of

Britain's. Unemployment is expected to reach 400,000 next year

while wage settlements are so

extravagant that Labour minis-

ters have had to protest that

"one man's larger pay packet is another man's job".

Mr Wilson may wish to help a

states' formal sovereignty.

down the privileges of the states'

proving the need for new and disagreeable policies to sceptical half-informed colleagues before all the data are in. But he who stops to look until he is certain always finds it too late to leap, at least in the management of the

economy.

There is already sufficient evidence that the social contract, as the Government's chief policy against inflation, needs urgent and specific reinforcement. At the absolute minimum pay settle-ments based on estimated future rates of inflation, which also ignore threshold payments received since the last main settlement, must be outlawed.

Ministers must not sit mes-merized by the Laocoonian struggles of the National Union of Mineworkers while a thousand other lesser settlements are outflanking the Government's whole position. Reports that the Cabinet has given highest priority to combating inflation and that it is examining a variety of novel schemes for escaping the dilemma of "stagflation" are welcome so far as they go. But action by the end of the yearor very early in the New Yearis now indispensable. The slope is getting steeper every week; and the brink of overt disaster is drawing nearer faster.

While the unemployed shout

for work, the number of days lost

in strikes last year reached an all-

time record (exceeding even the

1917 total). Investment by business, hampered by cash flow

problems, has slumped, and the

decline in business confidence

has even given the public fits of

jitters, causing them recently to make a run on the building

societies. Immigration has been

totally stopped. A strongly refla-

tionary budget—which included cuts in corporation taxes—has so

far had no visible effect. Nor has

confidence been restored by the

abrupt translation of the Federal

Treasurer, Mr Crean, to the office

of Minister of Overseas Trade,

and the takeover of the Treasury

by the Deputy Prime Minister, Mr Cairns.

Whitlam, however, is limited by a federal constitution—he cannot

do things that Mr Benn, for

example, can do if he get a simple parliamentary majority. As Mr Cameron, Federal Minister of Labour, ruefully remarked, "We

do not have the power to intro-

duce socialism, we must learn to

is in fact states' rights which

abrogate that power, and so frus-

trate those who think socialism is

the answer to Australia's prob-

lems. But Britain cannot relieve

that frustration. And the Queens-

land results suggest that the

Australians are looking for

leaders who will make the pre-

sent system work rather than

change it.

Considering that Australia is self-sufficient in oil, Mr Wilson may find these events down under to be food for thought. Mr

IR WHITLAM'S PROBLEMS DOWN UNDER

Gough Whitlam, the next March by defeating the stralian Prime Minister, is a government in the Senate—and y welcome guest in Britain has been widely attacked for his lay although he is believed to pusillanimity for letting the ve one or two unwelcome quests in his briefcase. His unt words in Brussels on chance go. The Queensland government has not only humiliated Mr Whittain's membership of the ropean Community will help Wilson and can disturb only lam, it is the most aggressive champion of the states' rights which Mr Whitlam wants to have se who still cling to the Comreduced—for which purpose he sent his Attorney General to Britain in 1973 with a somewhat nwealth as an alternative uping to that membership. fost Australian prime minisbrusque demand that Britain end an intolerably outdated colonial

s, when in serious political uble at home, have found it itic to avoid extensive prosses abroad, but Mr Whitlam been an exception, coolly disuful of criticism that his place n Canberra when the going is gh. As he is in practice, if not name, external affairs minishe can claim that strengthen-Australia's trade and political with Europe and Russia has, the growing depression, an ent call on his time. But in tain he evidently also intends continue the domestic struggle inst his latterly rather cessful opponents in Australia. **Earlier** this month the istralian Labour Party in eensland went down to crushh Mr Whitlam practically ding their campaign. Political erts have calculated that, king allowances for any special iditions in Queensland, the te results show that Mr titlam would lose a federal ction today. Moreover it would 'e been possible for Mr edden, the federal opposition der, to have forced an election

LARET IS STILL CLARET FOR ALL THAT

Pierre Bert, the wine ker sentenced to a year's prisonment in Bordeaux terday for doctoring and miselling wine, has accepted the dict but intends to appeal unst the sentence. Since by his n admission his doctoring ivities had earned him a fit of about half a million ınds in the course of a few nths, the sentence does not in t seem unduly harsh. Certainly accompanying fine of £2,500 uld have been a very dequate punishment by itself. A Bert's argument is that he is ng made the scapegoat for the s of the Bordeaux wine trade a whole. This led him to make tements in court which have bably done much more nage to Bordeaux's reputation n the charges against him ald have done in themselves. while admitting the truth of charges, he claimed that what was doing was absolutely Amal practice.

ne hopes that this claim, if ntotally false, is at least very the exaggerated. Certainly te is no reason to regard M Bert as a reliable witness. But what cannot be denied is that the case has shown up grave defects in the system of appellation contrôlée, a system whose extension to Britain is one of the less happy effects of our membership of the European Commu-

Contrary to general belief. the appellation is not in any direct sense a guarantee of quality. It certifies where the wine comes from, how the vine was cultivated, what method was used to make the wine, and limits the amount of it that can be made. Its original purpose was to protect the wine-grower and broker, not the consumer. Indeed the British consumer undoubtedly benefited from the system's nonapplication until last year, since he was able to buy at a lower price wine which did not qualify for the appellation solely because it was produced in excess of the prescribed quantity.

It was thus that witnesses were able to say in court, with perfect truth, that no one can tell by tasting it whether a wine quali-fies for the appellation or not. This is by no means the same as

the absurd statement by one of the defence lawyers that no one can tell good wine from bad,

It is certainly bad luck on the wine trade, and the Bordeaux trade in particular, that this scandal should have erupted at a time when wine prices are falling anyway because of the economic climate and the unwinding of the ridiculous speculative positions taken up by so many people (most of them strangers to the wine trade) dur-ing 1972 and 1973. It would be a great pity if it led people in this country to lose confidence in claret generally. In this context it must be stressed that there is no question of the methods used by M Bert and the Cruse cousins having any effect on chateaubottled vintages. Nor indeed is there any evidence that any of the wine doctored by M Bert ever left Bordeaux. Claret remains one of the world's finest red wines, if not the finest, and Britain remains the privileged recipient of much of the best claret produced. We are still the heirs and beneficiaries of the Bordeaux connexion that came to us with Eleanor of Aquitaine.

k Kurdish struggle In Mr Jeremy Swift

S The United Nations General Ambly Resolution 3236 (XXIX) Oovember 22, 1974, recognizing bight of the Palestinian people wif-determination, is a welcome towards peace in the Middle But no reference was made the other war in the area, waged b people who also believe in Setermination. I refer to the Ks of northern Iraq.

your correspondent has rei, the Kurds are not demand-full independence, although ti long resistance to outsiders M seem to make them worthy of itustead they ask only for a)my within a democratic Iraq, Visecurely protected cultural, Pal and economic rights. The U Kingdom has a special re-Shility in this matter for two The incorporation of the Kinto northern Iraq in the first Pwas the result of a bilateral Prent in 1926 between Britain (the mandate power in Iraq) airkey, thereby putting an end tadish hopes of independence Whad been raised at the Treaty Ores six years earlier. And If the end of the British mandate in 1932, when Iraq joined the League of Nations, Britain took moral responsibility for upholding an Iraqi government Declaration of Constitutional Force acknowledging the special position of the Kurds.

But there has been no move by recent British governments on the Kurdish question, and several hundred thousand refugees, mainly women and children who now face a severe winter in the mountains the lively food or chalten has a severe winter in the mountains with little food or shelter, have received only timid help from the voluntary agencies in this country and abroad. An Iraqi victory in this war would create a permanent population of Kurdish refugees in neighbouring countries, dedicated to recovering their homeland: the Palestinians of the 1980s perhaps.
In the United Nations General

Assembly debate on the Palestinian resolution, the Iraqi representative movingly described the plight of the Palestinian people and stated "the Palestinian people and stated "the scourge of war has only strengthened the faith of the Palestinian people wishing to resume its rightful place in the concert of nations. . . We must make no concessions in the defence of this people's human rights and its right to self determination.

The Palestinian people has the right

to resort to all means in order to affirm its existence and to assert its rights. This is a struggle which should be backed by all countries and peoples. Is it not time that the Kurdish people were allowed the same choice by the government of Iraq, and by the international community at large? Yours faithfully, JEREMY SWIFT.

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l'elevision and radio cuts

From Mr Patrick Stirling Sir, Dare we hope that party political broadcasts will take their fair share of the cuts in television and radio broadcasting time to be introduced by the BBC in 1975? I am, Sir, your obedient servant, PATRICK STIRLING. The Old Rectory, Farmington, Cheltenham, Gloucestershire. December 12.

Threat of economic catastrophe From The Master of St Peter's

College, Oxford

Sir, You argue (December 13) that, given certain conditions, "there is no way in the short-to-medium term that the oil deficits or the management of the surplus funds of the

ment of the surplus funds of the oil producers can cause catastrophe in the western economies". This is popular and comforting doctrine but should deceive no one.

First of all, the conditions you lay down bear little relation to the world we live in. We are very far—the United Kingdom furthest of all—from a situation in which the deficits of the lending countries are "broadly equivalent to their prodeficits of the lending countries are "broadly equivalent to their proportionate share in the collective oil deficit". We are also very far from a situation in which we can take for granted that the oil will keep flowing or that the "collective oil deficit" will be covered by long-term lending or investment or even by a stable distribution of funds between countries, regardless of terms. You are not entitled to assume that individual deficits will stay within limits fixed in advance stay within limits fixed in advance or that, even if they do, they will automatically be covered on fixed

Secondly, your conditions are not sufficient by themselves to remove the threat of catastrophe. It is of course axiomatic that however great the imbalance in the world and whatever its source, the surpluses must in the aggregate equal the must in the aggregate equal the deficits and that for every creditor there must be a debtor. But this does not imply that countries can with impurity run what deficits they choose nor that world imbalance may not lead on to catastrophe when deficit countries feel obliged to take corrective measures.

Continuous short-term borrowing and recycling means no more than short-term borrowing—puts a country's currency (and ultimately its entire economy) at the mercy of its creditors; and creditors—even inter-national creditors—are not in the habit of issuing blank cheques. No country can be indifferent about the size and duration of an external deficit; and the real issues relate to the terms on which deficits can be covered by borrowing and the measures that failure to agree on satisfactory terms may provoke.

On terms, international guarantees and funds can offer only partial re-assurance. There are limits to the debt that countries will incur and the loans that they will make, and in deciding on these limits they need to weigh the benefits and the risks and costs, neither of which can be

fixed once and for all by inter-national agreement. national agreement.

As for measures, we have seen so far only what the surplus countries can do to endanger the world economy. Why are you so confident that we and the other deficit countries will yet do less? Or perhaps you share the view now being urged on us that thoroughgoing trade restrictions would not be catastrophic? Yours faithfully,

ALEC CATENCROSS

ALEC CAIRNCROSS, St Peter's College. Oxford. December 15.

From Sir Arthur Bruce

Sir, Some months ago you published a letter in which it was suggested that it would be a sign of wisdom on Mr Wilson's part if he were to declare a state of emergency and to follow up the declaration with the measures necessary to contain or moderate the economic crisis which loomed ahead. Can anyone doubt if that had been done then the country would be in much better shape now?

Is it not evident, as Sir Frederick Catherwood has been proclaiming, that failing urgent action, the catastrophe may be imminent at a time when the Labour Government is hamstrung by its commitments to the trade unions, and Conservative Opposition is hamstrung by its internal follies, while millions of Liberal voters are more or less unrepresented and voiceless. Is it not now obvious that Mr Heath (backed by the older statesmen in his party) and Mr Thorpe should demand that Mr Wilson should declare a state of emergency

forthwith, undertaking at the same time that they will support the Prime Minister in taking the emer-gency measures which all moderate minded men and women know must

be devised and put through.

It may be that some present members of Mr Wilson's cabinet would wish to dissociate themselves from such a course of action, but this might enable Mr Wilson to build up some sort of consensus Government on the lines already adumbrated by Mr Heath at the time of the recent election. Can anyone doubt the welcome that such a development would receive from the great majority of the British people at this time of grave national peril? Yours faithfully, ARTHUR BRUCE,

Little Tylers, Warwick's Bench, Guildford, Surrey.

Britain and the Middle East

From Dr M. R. Mehdi Sir, Your defence of the freedom of political advertising and debate, in your leaders of December 12 and 14, must be reckoned a milestone in the cause of free expression of minority opinion in the face of organized pressure groups.

The advertisement by the Committee for Justice in the Middle East (December 11) and the strong

reactions evoked by it raise two issues of public concern which, unfortunately, have been buried under a mass of irrelevancies, side

imputations of motives.

The first issue is the charitable nature of the tax exemption claims made for contributions to various Zionist appeals. There can, of course, be no objection, on legal grounds, to contributions made out of taxed income. Tax exemption on grounds of alleged charity is a different matter both because abuse of law brings the law into disrepute and because of the large sums that are lost to the public Exchequer which could be used for social and economic benefits of the society.

Your correspondent, Mr Peter Lewis (December 13), says of the COJME advertisement that "It would of course be undignified to answer its implication that British Jewry is financing indiscriminate mbing of refugees under the guise of charity and at the expense of the Inland Revenue". Mr Lewis has put it admirably. This is the gist of what the advertisement was trying

to say. Money collected by the Jewish National Fund through fund raising campaigns goes to the Jewish Agency in Jerusalem which is closely associated with the Israeli Government and whose budget and programme of activities are streamfined with the general budget and planning of the Israeli State. The money is used (or releases other funds to be used) to strengthen the state, to build settlements, for Jews only, on confiscated or purchased Arab land and to consolidate Israel's illegal occupation of the territories of Palestine, Syria and

Egypt seized in 1967.

The claim that this is entirely charitable is a fiction that is hard to maintain. Little goes to any genuine charitable work for relief of Jews in need, especially if they are on the wrong side of the Zionist line.

The Russian Jews who left Israel for Belgium are being cared for by Caritas, a Christian foundation run by the Roman Catholic Church.

Like them, the ex-Soviet Jews who left Israel and have been living as destitute refugees in Vienna these past years receive no help from Zionist funds. Mr Chaim Bermant said in the Observer of last Sunday that there was a "tacit understand-ing" between Israel and Jewish charitable societies that the Rus-sians who left should not be helped. Israel's own Oriental Jews are perhaps the poorest section of World

American law courts to test the charitable tax exemption claims of Zionist Appeals in the United States. Judgmen he a British court of law should clarify the situation here.

The second issue raised by the advertisement that of the freedom of political admiration is of parcontext of the more general debate on press freedom raised by Mr Michael Foot's proposed legislation. Of dangers to the press, too much has been written on the printing unions and not enough on pressure groups. Our critics not only disagree with our views, they wish to suppress them.

As the events of the past week show, through a campaign of serious protest, to use your euphemism, aided by threats of legal action, nearly the whole of

the press was intimidated into refusal of the committee's adver-tisement. While *The Times* gave up after brave and honourable resistance, the Guardian surrendered to ance, the Guardian surrendered to pressure without a fight and a prominent left-wing weekly when the text was already in type.

I find it regrettable that it is necessary to state what should have been obvious, namely that this committee had no intention what

soever of incitement to racial hatred or animosity to any group. The words of the advertisement warrant prejudiced by the constant attempts seeking to confuse Zionist with Jew and to equate criticism of Israel with attack on Jews. I must state that the allegation, reported on the front page of The Times on December 14, of an Arab campaign to cast Jews as scapegoats for Britain's economic ills, is baseless and untrue.

The controversy raised by this committee's advertisement will have served a useful purpose if it brought to the attention of the British public the sort of pressures and methods at work to deny a fair hearing to any pro-Palestinian or pro-Arab group. It has also highlighted the public's need to know the facts about charitable tax exemptions either in Parliament, by a commission of inquiry or a test case in a court of

Yours faithfully, M. R. MEHDI, Chairman, Committee for Justice in the Middle East, PO Box 295,

From Mr E. R. Linz Sir, There seems to be a common thread of hysteria in the responses of some Jewish leaders to the General Brown statement in America and The Times decision regarding the advertisement of the Committee for Justice in the Middle East. In both cases the initial res-ponse has been the allegation of racism and the denial of the right

of political expression when it runs counter to the Zionist cause.

An argument can be made that
General Brown's remarks were inappropriate due to his status as a career military servant. In contrast, the Committee for Justice in the Middle East is an avowed political pressure group just as many of the organizations which have protested

the loudest, such as the Anglo-Israel Association. If there is to be any hope of a non-belligerent settlement of the Middle East situation it is impera-tive that tolerance be displayed by both sides and their supporters.

None of the pressure groups involved enjoys a monopoly regarding truth or justice—although each would like us to believe such. The cornerstone of democratic freedom is access to fact and opinion.

Because it is often difficult or even impossible to separate one from the other our best hope lies in a wide public debate with each side free

to present its case.

The Times should be commended for its contribution to this most important dialogue.

E. R. LINZ 82 Middle Way.

From Dr Stanley Solomons Sir, The advertisement about Jews in Russia seeks to draw people's attention to the plight of an oppressed foreign minority. That is

The advertisement about fundraising for Israel seeks to set one section of Her Majesty's subjects against another. That is sedition. That, Sir, is the difference. Yours sincerely, S. SOLOMONS

18 Harvist Road, NW6,

Transplants: medical reservations

Sir, I write about your Medical Correspondent's tendentious article about dialysis and transplantation (December 16). He supports a suggestion that emphasis should now be switched from dialysis to transplantation because, though it is a "draconic solution . . . it makes is a "draconic solution... it makes social, economic and medical sense". The concept of social sense is a slippery one. In this context it presumably means that the community's representative, the unfortunate medical administrator, may condemn to death a sick individual if the healthy community considers it economically expedient to do so. In medicine this is a direct encour-In medicine this is a direct encouragement to private practice. And in the treatment of terminal renal failure private practice would be a retrograde step giving rise to social nonsense. I would like to refute Dr Smith's special pleading by speak-ing up for the individual patient.

The mortality rate of patients transplanted with kidneys obtained from the dead is nearly twice as great as that of patients dialysed at home. In addition the death rate of those who have had an unsuccessful transplant and who have then been returned to dialysis is three times greater during the following year than in those on dialysis who have never been transplanted. And these deaths occur in the young, that is those who do best on dialysis. The mortality associated with trans-planting patients over the age of 45 is such that this practice has almost been discontinued. Transplantation no longer saves lives. Its present contribution is to offer to those on dialysis a measure of freedom at the cost of an increased mortality. It makes no medical sense to suggest that transplantation should tend to

replace dialysis. Neither does it make any economic sense. There have been several attempts to find out the true cost of transplantation. There is general agreement that this is difficult, but that there is probably little difference between the cost of dialysis and transplantation. About half the patients who are transplanted die within the next three years. Their death is often preceded by a long, expensive period of morbidity, dur-ing which they are in and out of hospital. And in contrast to your correspondent's assumption, a transplant team which includes all those needed to monitor the immunological aspects of the situa-tion tends to be as numerous for a smaller number of patients than the team needed to dialyse a great many more patients at home. The only unarguable economic advantage of transplantation over dialysis is that transplantation keeps down the number of patients in need of con-

tinuing attention. Doctors, including some transplant surgeons, are by no means of one mind about cadaveric trans-plantation. The morbidity and mortality it causes in young people who, until the operation, were relatively well have considerably dwindled their initial enthusiasm. Some wonder if it is ethical to con-

From Professor H. E. de Wardener

tinue. And the majority of doctors find it distasteful and painful to harass a recently bereaved (or about harass a recently bereaved (or about to be bereaved) person to ask for their permission to use their relative's kidneys for transplantation. There is no doubt that cadaveric transplantation has a place in the present day treatment of terminal renal failure. The size of the place is being restrained by many factors; these include the unsuitability of many patients for transplantation, the unwillingness of some patients

many patients for transplantation, the unwillingness of some patients to be transplanted, and the number of cadaveric kidneys available.

Until the results improve there is a good case to be made out that the present scale of cadaveric transplantation should be restrained in favour of dialysis, which is at present the better treatment for the patient. In the meantime I would suggest that more publicity and suggest that more publicity and attention should be given to the excellent results of transplantation from related donors which are as good as those of patients on home dialysis. If this information were more widely disseminated, potential related donors might be more in-clined to donate a kidney. And the medical profession might be more sympathetic to transplantation. Yours faithfully, HUGH de WARDENER,

Department of Medicine, Charing Cross Hospital Medical Fulham Palace Road, W6.

cal Defence Union.

From the Secretary of the Medical Defence Union
Sir, Your Legal Correspondent, Marcel Berlins, in an article on transplants (December 16) "Why doctors refuse to operate", attributes one of the reasons to the restrictive interpretation of the Human Tissue Act 1961 by the Medical Defence Union.

The union's views were formed only after a great deal of work had been done on this subject and after expert medical and legal advice had been taken including the opinion of two leading counsel. The point at issue is who is "the person lawfully in possession of the body", for he is the one who has power to authorize the removal of any part for transplants. When a patient dies in hospital, the union is advised that it is the executor or next of kin. The opposing view is that it is the hospital authority until the relatives claim the body. This is an expedient view which would certainly enable hospitals to obtain more kidneys for transplants, but is it what Parliament intended or indeed how relatives would like

The union believes that the right solution is to clarify the law, and this would give Parliament the opportunity to test public opinion and decide between the interests of the bereaved relatives and the needs of those who are dying from lack of organs for transplants.

their deceased to be dealt with?

ours faithfully, W. BROOKE BARNETT, Secretary The Medical Defence Union, '3 Devoushire Place, W1.

Re-marriage of divorcees

From the Bishop of Leicester Sir, The General Synod of the Church of England has now three times, rightly or wrongly, expressed its unwillingness to go forward towards the re-marriage of divorced persons in church. It is understandble that some, who, in the modern fashion cannot accept the umpire's decision, should use your columns to repeat arguments that failed to achieve their objectives in the Synod.

I write merely because your readers might get the impression, from the frequency of their contri-butions, that there is only one side to this very difficult matter. Yours faithfully, RONALD LEICESTER. Bishop's Lodge, Springfield Road,

December 15. From Sir Victor Goddard Sir, The Bishop of Kingston has said (December 13) much that the

"Orthodox churches and mainstream of Protestant churches" would expect a bishop to say. What he has not said seems to me and, I suppose, to Heather Jenner, to be more important. One could hardly expect a bishop to say that God does not join together a large proportion of those whom ministers pronounce to be joined together.

It may be a pity that the C. of E. ording is not "whom God hath wording is not "whom God hath joined together man carnot put asunder". But the bishop might at least have mentioned that many who are married are given the grace and strength to make their marriages valid and lasting by a power that is more than human. Those who do not achieve that should be allowed to invoke the aid of the church in trying again, but preferably without swearing to permanency. There is an admonition attributed to Jesus, Swear not at all, neither by Heaven ... nor by Earth ...". Yours faithfully, VICTOR GODDARD,

Upheaval in Ethiopia From Lord Avon and others

Leicester.

Sir, Recent events in Ethiopia, culminating in the execution of large numbers of prominent persons, have created grave personal and financial problems for some of their dependants in this country and other parts of Europe. Among these unfortunate and wholly innocent victims of the upheavals in Ethiopia are students. other persons under training as well as a few who are unable to gain access to their resources. The undersigned feel that there must be many people in this country who have enjoyed the friendship of the Ethiopian people, visited that beautiful country or served there during the

war and who now wish to come to the aid of some of these Ethiopians Donations will be gratefully received by: Dr G. E. W. Wolsten-holme, OBE. 41 Portland Place, Lon-Yours faithfully,

AVON, HUGH ASTOR, JOHN BAGGE, BERNARD BRAINE, EDWIN CHAPMAN-ANDREWS MALCOLM LYELL, EDWARD ULLENDORFF, G. E. W. WOLSTENHOLME, Chairman,

Emergency Fund for Ethiopians in the United Kingdom. 41 Portland Place, W1.

Terms of NHS contract From the Secretary of the British

Medical Association Sir, While largely agreeing with Michael Rose (The Times, December 16), I must take issue with his statement that the profession's negotiating representatives have been exclusively occupied with consultant salaries while the hospital service is declining . . ." That the hospital service is de-

clining is well known to anyone working in the National Health Service: and the profession's negotiators, ie, the British Medical Association, have been warning successive Governments of this for years. At

last the public are beginning to realize what is happening.
Consultants in our seriously underfinanced Health Service, who have for so long worked under steadily deteriorating conditions, with an open-ended contract allowing an ever-increasing workload with insufficient reward, are now coming out with the facts and speaking their mind. It is the basic terms of the

NHS contract that they are fighting to improve, in the face of Government proposals which threaten the

independence of medicine in this

Brasted.

Westerham, Kent.

But Mr Rose need only turn to the British Medical Journal of a November 2 where, together with our sister professions, we call for an independent inquiry into the financing of the NHS, to see that this association is fighting not only for better pay and terms of service for their members but also for the conditions in which they work, ie, a viable National Health Service. Yours faithfully, DEREK STEVENSON. Secretary, British Medical Association, Tavistock Square, WC1.

Garbo in slow motion From Mr Paul Rotha

Sir, In the many current reviews of the revival of Pabst's historically important film, The Joyless Street, none of our film critics has referred to the fact that all Miss Greta Garbo's scenes were made in slow motion because of her gauche, immature talent of acting at that time. In all the scenes in which she appeared, the other experienced actors speeded up their movements to match bers.

This information I had from Herr Pabsr himself and from Herr Willi Haass, scriptwriter on the film, who was present during all the filming. At the time I wrote of Miss Garbo's performance as "cool as an Arctic ice-flower" (vide: Film Till Now. 1930).

Yours, etc. PAUL ROTHA, 140 Narbeth Drive, Aylesbury, Buckinghamshire.

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Bothwell, Coronado, California,
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Mr R. A. Cameron
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Mr A. K. Hørsey
and Miss H. E. Buckenham
The engagement is announced
between Andrew, elder son of
Commander and Mrs G. K.
Hørsey, of Penpark, Bickington,
Newton Abbot, Devon, and Helen

Elizabeth, only daughter of Mr and Mrs P. Buckenham, of Cobblers Stock, Essex.

Mr N. C. Lewis and Miss K. M. Payne

Dr C. O. Newton and Miss K. A. Moore



COURT **CIRCULAR**

BUCKINGHAM PALACE December 18: His Excellency Mr Jaime Zobel de Ayala and Mrs Zobel de Ayala were received in farewell audience by The Queen this morning and took leave upon His Excellency relinquishing his appointment as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary from the Republic of the Philippines to the Court of St James's.

Her Majesty held a Council at 12.30 o'clock this afternoon. There were present: the Right Hon Edward Short, MP (Lord President), the Lord Shepherd (Lord Privy Seal), the Right Hon John Morris, MP (Secretary of

State for Wales), the Right Hon State for Wales), the Right Hon Barbara Castle. MP (Secretary of State for Social Services), the Right Hon Merlyn Rees. MP (Secretary of State for Northern Ireland), the Right Hon Eric Varley, MP (Secretary of State for Energy), the Right Hon Frederick Peart. MP (Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food) and the Right Hon Samuel Silkin, MP (Attorney General). MP (Attorney General).

The Lord Fraser (a Senator of the College of Justice in Scotland) was sworn in a Member of Her Majesty's Most Honourable Privy

Mr Neville Leigh was in attendance as Clerk of the Council. The Right Hon Edward Short, MP had an audience of The Queen

The Duke of Edinburgh was entertained at luncheon today by the National Coal Board at Hobart House, Grosvenor Place. Major Henry Hugh Smith was in

His Royal Highness, as Patron and Twelfth Man, this afternoon at Buckingham Palace presented the Lord's Taverners County Championship Trophy to the Wor-cestershire County Cricket Club.

YORK HOUSE ST JAMES'S PALACE December 18: The Duke of Kent,

as Patron, and The Duke of Kent, as Patron, and The Duchess of Kent were present this evening at the Christmas Concert of the Leukaemia Research Fund at the Royal Albert Hall. Lieutenant-Commander Richard Buckley, RN, and Mrs Alan Hen-

derson were in attendance.

Mrs Marie Gulbenkian sends affectionate greetings to all her friends for Christmas and 1975. Because of the French postal strike she is not sending any cards.

The Hellenic Society of Professional People and Scientists in Great Britain has arranged a piano recital in aid of the refugees of Cyprus, to be given by Mr Christodoulos Georgiades at the New Callery People Street New Gallery, Regent Street, on January 8, 1975. Mr and Mrs Neville Stidolph wish all their friends a very Happy Christmas and New Year.

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A copy of the draft scheme may be

A copy of the draft scheme may be inspected at the inspected at Saint Paul's Vicarage, Saint Paul's Road, Sculenates, Hull, North Humberside, Hu2 ODS

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A Copy may also be obtained or inspected during normal office hours upon application to the Church Commissioners' office.

Any REPRESENTATIONS with respect to the draft scheme should be made in writing to the Church Commissioners and should reach their offices not later than 16 January 1975.

K. S. Ryle

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Date 16 December 1974.

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Notice is bereby given by the Church Commissioners had they have PREPARED a DRAFT REDUNDANCY SCHEME providing for the transfer of the church known as Goyhirn Oid Church, being a chapel of ease in the parish of Guyhirn with Ring's End in the dito ose of Ely. To the Redundant Churches Fund for care and maintenance.

A copy of the draft scheme may be inspected at Guyhirn Vicarage. Wisbech. Cambs.

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NOTICE

11th December, 1974,

K. S. RYLE, Secretary, 1 Willbank, London, S.W.1.

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Marriages

Mr A. B. J. Lennox and Miss A. Richli

The marriage took place in Thronto, on Wednesday, Decem-ber 4, of Mr Andrew Bjorn James Lennox, only son of Mr and Mrs Francis Lennox, of Florida and Toronto, and Miss Alexandra Richii, youngest daughter of the late Mr Paul Raymond Richli and of Lady Hardie, of Ramatuelle and Paris. The couple will live in

Mr R. R. Page and Miss L. Wagner

The marriage took place on Saturday, December 14, at the Queen's Chapel at St James's, of Queen's Chapel at St james's, of Mr Robert Page and Miss Lucy Wagner. Canon J. S. D. Mansel officiated. The bride, who was given in marriage by her father. Sir Anthony Wagner, was attended by Miss Kathleen Page. Mr Michael Page was best man. A reception was held at Vintners' Hall.

Mr W. A. Broughton and Mrs M. I. Dolleman-Farnborough The marriage took place on Friday, December 13, at Guildhall, London, between Mr Andrew Broughton and Mrs Margaret Dolleman-Farmborough.

Mr D. J. Hodgson and Miss S. A. Lancaster The marriage took place quietly in London vesterday between Mr Douglas John Hodgson and Miss

Luncheons

Prime Minister The Prime Minister was host at a luncheon at 10 Downing Street for the Prime Minister of Mauritius, Sir Seewoosagur Ramgoolam. The other guests were: High Commissioner for Mauritius, Re: Mason. MP, Mr Fred Pearl, Mr P. Wright, Mr J. T. W. Halnes Mr F. M. Kearns.

Diplomatic and Commonwealth

The Spanish Ambassador was guest of honour at a luncheon given resterday at the Waldorf Hotel, Aldwych, by the Diplomatic and Commonwealth Writers Association of Britain. Mr John Dickle, president of the association of Recommonwealth was a second to the president of the association, was in the chair.

Royal Automobile Club The Senior Hundred members of the Royal Automobile Club were the Royal Automobile Club were the guests of the chairman at a luncheon to celebrate the found-ing of the club in 1897.

Reception

of <u>50,000</u>.

Winter Ball Mrs Michael Heseltine, chairman, held a reception for the committee of the Twenty-fifth Winter Ball. Among those present were: The Dowager Viscountess Davidson, Lady Silverstone, Mrs Humphrey Atkins, Mr and Mrs James Prior. Sir Naiby Crotton, Mrs Michael Lewis, and Dr and Mrs Frank Taylor.

Manzoni Trust The appeal for a memorial to Sir Herbert Manzoni has reached a total of 544,500 towards the target

Lincoln's Inn Mr D. B. McNeill, QC, and Mr D. H. Mervyn Davies, QC, have been elected Benchers of Lincoln's lan.

Mr Ahmed Abdul Wahhab al-Nakib, Ambassador of Kuwait, in front of the proposed new embassy in Queen Anne's Gate, to be renovated by Walter Lawrence & Son, of which Mr D. Scriven, right, is a director.

Latest appointments

Larest appointments include: Mr Alfred Bates, MP for Bebington and Ellesmere Port to be parliamentary private secretary to Mr Brian O'Malley, Minister of State at the Department of Health and Social Security.

Dr Jonathan Miller, playwright and drama director, and Mrs Elizabeth Thomas, arts editor of the New Statesman, to be mem-bers of the Arts Council.

Provost of Cumbrae

The Bishop of Argyll and The Isles is resigning as Provost of the College and Church of the Roly Spirit, Cumbrae. He has appointed the Rev Graham Pilkingham, Rector of the Church of the Holy Redeemer, Houston, Texas, and leader of the Community of Celebration, Yeldall Manor, Hare Hath, Berkshire, to be provost from January 1.

The Rev Dr Paul Felton, a member of the community, will assist the provost, especially in the pastoral care of the congregation in Millport.

Birthdays today

Mr John Bowle, 69; Sir Charles Duke, 69; Viscount Head, 68; Professor T. H. Marshall, 81; Brigadier C. G. Martin, VC, 83; Sir Andrew Murray, 71; Sir William Murrle, 71; Professor Arthur Newell, 89; Count Edward Raczyński, 83; the Right Rev Dr G. E. Reindorp, 63; Sir Ralph Richardson, 72; Lord Rowalian, 79.

Latest wills

Lady Burt, of Dulwich, obstetrician, and gynaecologist, widow of Sir Cyril Burt, the psychologist, left £58,692 net (duty paid, £5,546). She left £2,000 to the Imperial Cancer Research Fund.

Other estates include (net, before duty maid - further duty paid). duty paid; further duty may be payable on some estates):
Saltmarsh, Mr John, of Cambridge, fellow of King's College (duty paid, £19,473)

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daughter of the late Mr and Mrs
F. V. C. Livingstone-Learmouth, of Wheatley, Oxford, widow of Donald L. Griswold, of New York State, United States.

Mr R. R. L. Blum and Mrs A. E. Winterbottom The engagement is announced between Rupert Richard Leo Blum, of the Commission of the European Communities, 200 rue de la Loi, Brussels, and Ann Elizabeth Winterbottom, only child of Mr and Mrs H. G. Hudson, of Stanfield Hall, Wymondham, Norfolk.

Mr P. C. G. Danby and Señora E. O'S. De Regaldo A marriage has been arranged, A marriage has been arranged, and will take place in Boston, Massachusetts, between Philip, son of the late Denys Danby and Mrs Doris Danby, of Wimbledon, and Ellen, widow of Ernesto Regalado Dueñas and daughter of Señor and Señora Terence O'Sullivan, of San Salvador.

Mr J. R. Letts
and Miss A. M. M. Rogers
The engagement is announced between John, elder son of Mr and
Mrs R. F. Letts. of Muberry
Down, Blean, Kent, and Alison,
only daughter of Mr and Mrs W. N.
Rogers of The Dutch Honse. Rogers, of The Dutch House, Brookvale Road, Southampton.

The engagement is announced between Nicholas Charles, son of Mr and Mrs S. E. Lewis, of Ealing, London, and Katharine Mary, eldest daughter of the Rev C. D. and Mrs Payne, of All Saints' Vicarage, Wellingborough, Northamptonshire. Mr D. J. Oliver and Miss S. C. Penton The engagement is announced between David James, only son of Mr and Mrs C. W. Oliver, of Gravesend, Kent, and Sarah Catherine, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs C. A. Penton, of Otford, The engagement is announced between Cleland, only son of Mr and Mrs F. C. Newton, of Weybridge, Surrey, and Katharine. elder daughter of Dr and Mrs A. C. Moore, of Malvern Link, Worcesterships Kent.

Mr C. E. Stott and Miss H. A. Plugge The engagement is announced be-tween Charles Edmund, twin son of Mr and Mrs Kenneth Stott, of Tixall, Staffordshire, and Helen Aicken, elder daughter of Captain Roland Plugge, DSC, Royal Navy, of Little Bookham, Surrey, and Mrs Peter Liddell, of Warwick-on-Eden,

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R. P. Thompson. Touari. J. N. J. Turner. A. Udujt. D. A. Udujt. D. W. Valamanesh.

Wator. A. Welts. R. J. West. S. Whalley. R. E. Williams. D. Wood.

R. L. Wood. T. R. Varrow, N. J. Youseman.

Dartmouth passing-out | University news

Admiral Sir Edward Ashmore, Oxford
Chief of the Naval Staff and First Latest appointments include: ST JOHN'S COLLEGE: H. C. Dewkins, NA, DPhil, university lecturer in statistical methods in biology, to a fellow-ship. Sea Lord, took the salute on Mon-day when the following officers under training passed out from Britannia Royal Naval College, srup. Latest awards include: Dartmouth:

R. Abbott. Agah-Del, Agahamohammadi, Ahmadanso. G. T. Alken. Allbo,
N. K. Aliston. T. Appiah. D. Ashitey,
P. Awita, A. Azhar. F. Barimani, D.
Barisor. J. C. Barker. J. Bartholomev.
J. C. Batos, A. Belbari. J. Bell, A. R.
C. Bennett. P. B. Bennett. F. Birlandian. S. J. Bolchot, R. A. Botten,
S. Boudjarda, A. Bouszársaf. K.
Bromage. M. L. Browning. R. G.
Budge, D. E. Bulger. G. J. Burfoot,
F. J. Burton, M. C. Butcher, N. Butler,
Chandlers. A. J. Coates. D. J.
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Latest awards include:

ST HILDA'S COLLEGE, Scholarships: Agnes Leys scholarship, philosophy and modern ianguages, Mary C, Bambrough, Long Road Sixth Form C, Cambridge: Helen Mary Alien scholarship, classics, Agones Leys scholarship, Long Road Sixth Form C, Cambridge: Helen Mary Alien scholarship, Long R, Gaudion, Jersey C: Lillan Blake scholarship, English, Carol R, Gaudion, Jersey C: Lillan Blake scholarship, modern languages and G, A. Kolkhorst Exhibition (university award: Candice J, Goodwin, Southport HS: Beilby scholarship, modern languages. Damaris L, Naylor. The Perze S: Harrison scholarship, English, Jane S. Whitehead, Manchester HS. Exhibitions: Beilby exhibition, philosophy, politics, conomics, Jayne D. Almond, Roedean S; Harrison exhibition, modern languages, Sarah-Illi Lennard, Cliffon HS: Ulian Blake exhibition, modern languages, Sarah-Illi Lennard, Cliffon HS: Lilian Blake exhibition, classic, Allson Jane Newey, Wimbledon HS: Nuffield exhibition, classic, Allson Jane Newey, Wimbledon HS: Nuffield exhibition, modern languages, Rossilind A, Ramage, Weilington C: Heien Mary Allen Exhibition, riable, Maryaret A, Rochester, Harrogale GS, D, K, Broster Exhibition, modern history, Sarah E, Trigg, Haymondorn history, Sarah E, Trigg, Haymondorn history, Sarah E, Trigg, Haymondorn

Mr O. J. B. Prince-White and Miss M. J. Crill The engagement is announced between Oliver James Bewsher, son of Mr and Mrs F. G. Prince-White, of Soberton, Hampshire, and Mary Jacqueline, daughter of Commander and Mrs C. G. Crill, of Acton Bridge, Northwich, Cheshire.

Today's engagements

The Duke of Edinburgh, as president of National Playing Fields
Association, attends world premiere of The Man with the Golden Gun, in aid of the association, Stars Organization for Spastics, and Variety Club Heart Fund. Odeon, Leicester Square, 8.15.

Square, 8.15.
Princess Margaret, as president, attends premiere of Hans Christian Andersen, in aid of Invalid Children's Aid Association. London Palladlum. 2.40.
English Sculpture 1600-1850, Victoria and Albert Museum, Cromwell Road, 10-6.
HMS Belfast, floating naval museum, Pool of London, 11-6.
Blessing of crib and carols, St Margaret Pattens church, East-cheap, City, 1.15.

25 years ago From The Times of Monday, December 19, 1949.

studies.

S. Sen. MA (Calcutta), to be lecturer in mathematical economics.

J. F. Weiss, LLB (Cantab), Dr Jur (Vennar), Liconcie (Brusels), and S. F. R. Coldham, BA (Oxan), MA (Lond), to be lecturers in law.

The main structure of the nev The main structure of the new House of Commons has now been completed and, although much scaffolding remains around the interior walls and galleries, the general layout of the chamber and of the rooms for members is becoming clearly defined. The ceiling panelling is finished, the stone-masons are at work, and the wood carving in the division lobbies is going forward.

A great amount of internal work

A great amount of internal work—testing, furnishing, and equipping—has yet to be done, but the new building is expected to be ready for use in the autumn of

Science report

Nuclear energy: 'Dynamic analysis' A large nuclear-power programme tricity Generating Board of the the rapid building of many

as a replacement for oil would absorb more energy than it pro-duced, according to a report sub-mitted to the Department of Energy and the Central Electricity Generating Board. It has been prepared by Dr John Price, of Earth Resources Research, a conservation group associated with the Friends of the Earth, in collaboration with Dr Peter Chapman, of the energy research group, Open University, and Mr Gerald Leach, of the International Institute for Environment and Development.

Dr Price has adopted a new type of analysis in assessing fuel reserves which has come into prominence only since the energy Some government departments are developing the same procedures for making policies to conserve energy. The technique replaces traditional accountancy to prepare energy budgets so that all the energy resources involved in operating, say, a nuclear power station, are calculated.

Dr Price presented his findings at a meeting in London yesterday, at which separate papers on the nuclear energy situation were given by Dr Chapman and Mr Leach

The application of this so-called "dynamic energy analysis" to nuclear power starts with official projections by the Central Elec-

increase in electricity generating capacity up to the end of the century, and the associated rise in the number of atomic power stations needed to help meet the forecast.

The effect of a big nuclear development programme depends on the rate at which new power

on the rate at which new power stations are built, and that varies for different countries. The French have to double the number of nuclear stations to be built over the next 20 to 25 years to fulfil estimates, in the United States the number doubles every two and a half years. The present British proposals would mean a doubling every four and one-third years. Such rapid expansion comes by trying simultaneously to provide a substitute as quickly as possible for oil and coal and to increase generating capacity for the expected continued rise in demand for electricity.

The first stage of the analysis

demand for electricity.

The first stage of the analysis is to make a type of calculation that is likely to come into wide-spread use over the next few years in discussions of many energy matters. It involves working out an energy ratio, or, in the case of a single nuclear reactor, determining the ratio of the energy produced in its lifetime to the energy cost in its construction energy cost in its construction and maintenance.

More elaborate calculations are

made for the factors influence

stations. Every aspect from uranium mining, ore refining and enrichment to the construction work and the creation of longterm storage for wastes are taken into account.

On Dr Price's evaluation, the energy generated by those plants is not available as useful energy to society because of the large amount needed to keep the construction programme going. In the most intensive programmes, such as the French one, the consumption of energy for nuclear development may even exceed the amount being generated by the available atomic stations. Hence, the nuclear programme has to be the nuclear programme has to be subsidized by the conventional fossil fuel units.

Dr Price suggests that there is

a myth about nuclear fuels pro-viding an infinite source of power. In fact nuclear reactors can only stretch fossil-fuel reserves and stretch fossil-fuel reserves and never wholly replace them. Taking 30 to 40 years as short term, he sees an energy paradox: the policy probably providing the most net energy in the long run is the most painfully energy consumptive in the short term, when energy supplies are already limited. already limited. By Pearce Wright Science Correspondent

OBITUARY

Firearms

better than

Sale Room Correspondent

by Napolean for his naval prowess, he was also in favour under the

ancien régime and later under

Most of his pistols come in special

without a case.

being shunned.

This pair of French flintlock

presentation pistols by Boutet was sold at Christie's yesterday

Dom John Roberts has been elected Abbot of Downside in succession to Dom Wilfrid Passmore, whose term of office has ended.

wards Heath S: Evelyn Rickards Exhi-bition, modern history, Jennifer Wil-kinson, Durham Wearside Sec S.

DARWIN COLLEGE: J. S. Turner, Trinity College, MSc (Sydner). PhD. reader in geophysical fluid dynamics and P. F. Friend. Gonville and Calus College, MA. PhD. university lecture in geology. have been elected przelectors and fellows.

Professor S. C. Littlechild, BCom, PhD, professor of applied economics at Aston University, has been appointed to the chair of com-

merce and headship of the depart-ment of industrial economics and

E. D. Megaw, MSc. PhD. BA (Cantab) to be lecturer in engineering production.

Birmingham

Downside Abbey

expected

By Geraldine Norman

prices

MR ARPAD PLESCH Financier and racehorse owner

London on Monday. He was 85. At his estate at Beaulieu in the South of France he had Christie's yesterday sold a pair of fine Boutet pistols for \$31,500 (estimate \$20,000) to an American assembled a very fine collection of rare plants and a library collector. They came to Christie's from Prance, sent for sale by the of botanical books of rare quality. His love of trees and Baron de Bourayne. According to plants was reflected in the names given to his horses.

family tradition they were pre-sented to the Baron Joseph-Cesar de Bourayne by the traders of Mauritus in 1808. Created a baron He was educated at the University of Budapest and other European universities, became a doctor of law and before the Second World War had become Boutet, guimaker to Napoleon, is considered one of the greatest exponents of his trade of any era. a demonstrably successful financier and adviser on investment. Much of his fortune is believed to have come from Cuban sugar cases with superb accessories in addition to the arms themselves; yesterday's price is particularly notable in that the pistols were but he was never content to confine his business activities to one particular field. After the war he invested in Japanese A pair of French Hintlock hol-ster pistols of about 1670 by Thurenne of Paris which had made industry at a time when Japan was still finding her feet after the disasters which had hit her.

In his financial operations

Thurenne of Paris which had made \$10,500 at Sotheby's some eighteen months ago were bought in at \$11,550 (estimate £8,000). Some other arms that had been recently on the market also failed to find buyers but the general level of prices, especially for English arms, was better than expected. Arpad Plesch was a great believer in gold as the best "hedge" against inflation and devaluations. In the 1930s, following the depression and the abandonment of the Gold Stanexpected.
Christie's were also selling clocks and scientific instruments. The top price was 52,152.50 (estimate 51,500-52,000) for a lateral price was 52,152.50 (estimate 51,500-52,000). dard, he held large numbers of bonds containing "gold bonds containing "gold clauses" to the effect that the mate £1,500-£2,000) for a lateseventeenth-century month-going
marquerry longcase clock by
Nathaniel Barrow, of London. A
walnut longcase clock by Joseph
Knibb was msold at £6,300
(estimate £6,000-£8,000).

A sale of portrait miniatures
and objects of vertu somewhat
contradicted the disastrous results
of Sotheby's miniature sale on
Monday. Two charming miniatures of the Skeffington family in
sporting poses by George Engleheart, estimated to fetch £600
each, went for £1,680 and £1,155.
The message seemed to be that
miniatures that had not been seen
on the market for 5 to 10 years
were in as much demand as ever: face value and interest were to be redeemable in gold coin or in currency equivalent to the value of gold. In particular, he was the holder of a large block of convertible "gold notes" issued by the British government in 1917 redeemable in New York or London However New York or London. However, gold clauses had by then been declared contrary to the public policy of the United States by a resolution of Congress. In a famous piece of litigation Arpad Plesch (acting through a trustee on behalf of the bond holders) were in as much demand as ever; it is overfamiliar faces that are accordingly brought an action against the Crown to pay to him the face value of the bonds Sotheby's held a mixed sale of paintings. A large canvas depicting a woman in oriental costume riding and the accumulated interest in London at a rate equal to the value of fizie gold prescribed by the law of the United States

a camel, catalogued as "French School, Eighteenth Century". ferthed 59,200. They also held as safe of Japanese swords and armour and another sale of netsuke and inrho. in 1917. While this action proceeded

Mr Arpad Plesch, the Hun-garian-born lawyer, financier instance, its decision was it and raceborse owner, died in turn reversed by the House o Lords in 1937 on the ground that the bonds were governed by the law of the United States In the result the Crown was only held liable to redeem the bonds at their face value. Bu be never ceased to believe tha the decision should have gon the other way, in which case as he often used to say, hwould have been the riches

man in the world at the time of He was a well known breede and owner of racehorses in Europe and the United State His greatest success in this country was with Psidium, wh carried his wife's colours in th

1961 Derby. Her grandfather had won th 1876 Epsom race with Kisper Psidium's triumph was a men orable occasion for the firs three horses that year were al owned by women and his 66-starting price was the longer for a winner of the Derby sinc the sensational disqualification of Craganour in favour o

Aboyeur in 1913.

It was in 1954 that Plesci made his first impact on the racing scene when he bough several yearlings at the New market sales. Among them wa Stephanoris, destined to win si-races among them the Cam bridgeshire Handicap. In the following year at the suggestion of Mme Couturie, the French breeder, he bought from her the Italian brood mare Dinarelliand it was from her mating with Pardal at his Dollanstown stud in co Kildare that he bree Psidium,

At various times he had horses in training here with Sir Gordon Richards and Mr Harry Wragg and also with severa trainers in Ireland, France Italy and the United States. In 1962 he announced that his racing interests would be centred in France and 14 yearlings were sent there to François Mathet whose partnership with Mme Suzy Volterra had just been dissolved. However, he still kept a few horses in training with Mr Wragg at Newmarket. He won many big prizes in through the courts he published two volumes of commentaries and extracts from judgments entitled The Gold Clause. However, although the Court of Papin and the Prix Morny) and Appeal decided in his favour in with Saraca (Prix Vermeille).

LIEUTENANT-COLONEL E. W. C. NOEL

A Correspondent writes:

Lieutenant Colonel Edward William Charles Noel, CIE. DSO, of the old Indian Political Service, who has died at the age of 88, was the eldest son of lieutenant Colonel Edward
Noel, Rifle Brigade, younger
son of the second Earl of Gainsborough. Born in April 1886, he was a man of fabulous achievement during and after the First World War in Meso-

potamia. From the Royal Artillery he oined the Indian Army and thereafter took his annual leaves in Persia. His entry into the Political Department resulthe British Resident in the Persian Gulf, travelling in a part of Persia prohibited to British officers. He spent the remain-der of his leave doing cyphers and translations in the resi-

dency. When war broke out in 1914 he had become a fluent Persian linguist and was just the person to deal with the machinations of Herr Wassmuss, the German agent, and his associates, who were doing their utmost to turn the tribesmen against the British in the area

M. Sathyamoorthy, EE. MTech, PhD (IIT Madras), to be research feilow in mechanical engineering.

S. M. Wood, MD. MA. BChir (Centab), to be lecturer in obstetrics and gynacology.

A. Eastham, BA (Manc), MA (Kent), to be lecturer in local government studies. of the oilfields, to protect which was one of our main reasons for landing a force at Basra. Noel succeeded in capturing

Wassmuss and the whole of his party after a series of forced marches. The late Sir Arnold Wilson wrote of "his tireless energy and amazingly rapid movements which made his name a household word through-out the Karun Valley". Wilson also tells how 100 Cossacks rode 200 miles through

the mountains from Kermanshah to make contact with the British Army. For their enter-tainment a Russian merchant and kept him awake with wor-provided dinner and some ex-

DAME KATHLEEN COURTNEY

Mr Philip Noel-Baker writes: Lord Wilberforce writes: May I add a note to your admirable obituary of Dame Kathleen Courtney? Between the wars, Dame Kathleen was the friend, colleague and natural successor of the great American women's leader, Jane Addams.

At the Geneva Disarmament Conference in 1932, and in the preceding years, she was the moving spirit in what I think was called the Women's International Peace and Disarmament Committee, a body which coordinated the action of all the large women's movements and which organized their magnificent demonstrations in the Geneva Conference. There were worldwide peti-

tions with many scores of millions of signatures, high level deputations, high-grade comments and memoranda on disarmament policy and the proceedings in the conference. In 1932 Dame Kathleen was indeed a commanding figure in Geneva. and her influence spread to all the continents.

Dame Kathleen's work for women's rights was no less outstanding than her work for the League of Nations, disarmament and the United Nations. No doubt aided by her great per-sonal beauty, she was a powerful platform speaker in the early Suffrage days.

In 1968, when she was 90, she took part in a celebration of the fiftieth anniversary of the grant of votes for women. At a packed meeting in Westminster, with the Prime Minister and the Leader of the Opposition also speaking, her speech was by common accord, the event of the

cellent vodka. Noel who was a Russian scholar, managed to produce a collection of gramophone records in Russian including the Cossacks' own regi-

mental march. While on one of his wanderings Noel attached himself to a British party taking a trainload of ammunition by Baku through the Bolshevik lines to Tiflis. His knowledge of lan-guages proved invaluable. For this exploit he was awarded the

In 1918 a British force under General Dunsterville (Kipling's Stalky) got as far as Baku on the Caspian. Consequently the British had to take response bility for control of the area between Khaniqin and Enzeli. Noel was one of the officers chosen for this difficult task While trying to reach General Dunsterville he was captured by Jangali tribesmen and held prisoner from March to August, 1918, in a "vermin infested prison, loaded with chains", to

quote Wilson again. This treatment was a tribute to his reputation for ingenuity and bravery. Released after the Armistice, he was selected for employment in Kurdistan to deal with problems of great complexity which continue to

this day.
The key to Noel's character was that if anything was said to be impossible he had to have a go" at it. Once he bicycled from Baghdad to. England, sleeping in Arab hamilets and Beduin camps. His only lets and Beduin camps he had complaint was that when he had said a formal farewell to higher courteous host, every boy in the place was waiting round the corner for a ride on his cycle. He travelled free throughout persia on lorgice and provides and provi Persia on lorries and trucks be

SIR DOUGLAS **MENZIES**

I would like, on behalf f his many friends and admire : 4 in this country, to add to te brief notice in Monday's Tr. Times of his death of te Right Hon Sir Douglas Me-He was an outstands

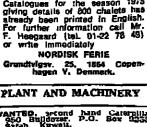
member of the High Court i Australia, itself an outstand and now Sir Garfield Barw. His judgments had a quality freshness and lucidity wih immediately attracted e reader. He was prepared toe a little irreverent to eslished doctrines, but always a constructive direction: le often dissented but one wid not label him a natural 5senter.

Sitting as he did on seal occasions with his Jucal Committee of his Privy (ncil, he was an admirable cuague, challenging easy assptions and vigorous in pult of justice.

Most people here ill remember him off the Bh. where Doug was the beof company, always the soul a party, with a true Austin vitality and wit, and in jition a deep love of natural the country.

Major Arthur Francis Co-Jervoise, a Deputy Lieunt for Hampshire and High Sff of the county in 1951, don Friday,

Doctor Abbas Ammaormerly deputy Director (-al of the International ur Organization, was founded on Sunday at an hein Khartoum. He was 70. ا حكدا من الاصل



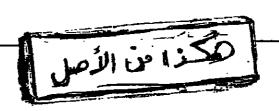
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BUSINESS NEWS





for CONSTRUCTION

Inresholds give harp boost o wage inflation n November

Melvyn Westlake Jage inflation accelerated oply last month as weekly packets were boosted by the threshold illing £1.20.

hese payments, triggered by large October jump in the of the biggest monthly one or me orggest monthly s in basic weekly wage rates a records began to be comd in 1947.

fficial figures published

fficial figures published erday by the Department of t rise in the index of weekly is during November, to 152.4

his index, which covers ral million manual workers se pay is determined by onal collective agreements, now risen by 26.4 per centing the last 12 months. owever, about three-quarters ast month's rise in pay rates directly attributable to the st three threshold pay-its which for weekly-paid ual workers were received wage packets at the end of

icreases for drivers of ish Rail and for workers in building, brick and allied stries were a further small ributory factor.

et, even allowing for the eptionally large impact last th of threshold payments, th were introduced a year ier as part of the Phase ee restraint programme of Heath's Government, the of wage inflation appears be accelerating at an

the first four months of effective life of the social ract—from the end of July se end of November—basic kly rates of wages rose at innual rate of 32 per cent, this about twice the rate of other less than a quarter of

32 per cent rise would 1 to be attributable to the threshold payments trig-d off since the beginning ie social contract. contrast with the wage the index of average ings, which includes over-: and bonuses, has shown a nward trend in recent

werage earnings for the en million people covered price rises. the index rose by just information lags a ith behind wage rates) to

leasured as a percentage use over the previous three this, average earnings have an steadily from an annual of 48.5 per cent in July, to per cent in October.
his trend has been partly
uenced by the fact that the
ther earnings only reflect
trend in prices up to
cust when the retail price was unchanged as a Mr Denis Healey's mini-Budget measures. threshold payments were

ECD has

ay policy

ther some action to increase

in spite of the unresolved bition problem.

flation itself is now expec-toy the OECD " to be slightly

er, and decelerate more

sly than expected earlier".

he outlook for food prices

he outlook for food prices its encouraging than it was ar months ago." On balance thest the OECD can project let consumer prices will rise ler cent over the next 12 ler cent over the next 12 mbs compared with 151 per cin the last 12 months.

the United Kingdom no

deration at all is forecast, betead a continuation of 18

Prent annual price rises.

Ner, the OECD warns all

uers that "given the

untum the wage-price spiral bquired, and the social un-reveloping in some coun-tit may be that even the

modest deceleration in

that and subsidies of thods which figure most Putly in working class

in foreseen for next year

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warning to workers

WAGES

The following are the index

numbers for basic rates of wages

ior all manual workers in all

industries and services and for average earnings of all em-ployees in all industries and services in Great Britain covered

by the monthly earnings inquiry

released by the Department of Employment yesterday.

Average
Hourly earnings
rates (Jen
(July 31 1970
1972=100) = 100)

156.8 164.3

164.7 169.6 176.2

181.8

191.4 p

triggered

The November earnings are

thus likely to show some reversal of the downward trend

as threshold payments made after August begin to have an

with the downturn in industrial output, overtime and bonuses

have also been sharply re-duced, and this could be having

a material influence on average

earnings.
Although Mr Michael Foot

the Secretary of State for Employment is expected to put up a forceful defence of the social contract in the Commons.

economic debate, his critics will have been provided with sub-

stantial ammunition by the

latest figures.
These clearly suggest that

trade union negotiators are attempting to anticipate the future rate of inflation in their wage demands rather than simply obtain compensation for

There are now a large num-

ber of wage demands pending, including the miners, electricity

supply manual workers, post office employees and car

The local authority manual

workers, who traditionally set the pace in each annual round

of negotiations, have already

won a wage award which, al-though substantial falls inside

the guidelines of the social con-tract because of the low pay in

a £10m loss

The State-owned National Freight Corporation is heading for losses approaching £10m this year after making consistent profits since it was set up in the late sixties.

The three-day week is thought to have hit the corpora-

this year

in the late sixties.

that sector.

But, it is also possible that

-8.5† 6.8†

35.9† 32.3† 48.5 43.1 32,3 22.9 NA

124.7 126.4 127.6

131.9 136.8

139.7 145.4

153.2

consequently

month

May June

Government and the trade unions to help them get it across to the man on the shop floor that, unless wage claims are moderated the country could face dispater.

After the December meeting of the Grand Council of the Confederation of British Industry Mr Campbell Adamson, the director-general, said that the consequences of failure would be greater inflation, increasing inemployment, more bankruptcies, and even a breakdown in the fabric of society. If the lessons did not get across employees would suffer

nousewives would find them-selves facing increasing short-ages in the shops, and prices would inevitably rise.

"If things continue in this way only one thing happens", Mr Adamson said, "we shall all become poorer."

become poorer." be tightened.

The CBI Grand Council, he said, wanted to make it clear that it saw now an inflationary situation which had reached the gravest proportions. The country had a real crisis on its hands.

Prices were no longer being pushed up by imports and oil, but by domestic factors over which we had control—particu-larly if increases in incomes were matched by increases in productivity.

machinery. But many companies had told the confederation that they could no longer consider new investment plans if they could not calculate ahead on the rate of inflation

BRS to raise haulage rates by 25 per cent

lead to a further round of price increases by the manufacturing industries which comprise the bulk of BRS customers.

director of Midlands BRS said yesterday: "We have never asked for an increase of this size before. It is quite horrific but we have no alternative.
"During the past 12 mouths the cost of operating vehicles and equipment has risen by more than 30 per cent, of which 16 per cent has occurred since July. There have been increases in the order of 131 per cent for some truck spares and even higher for some of our foreign vehicles." To enable industry to give

If other groups attempt to get similar increases they will almost certainly breach the contract. Leading article, page 15 NFC facing

CBI appeals for crisis

By Malcolm Brown Industrial leaders last night

face disaster.
After the December meeting

a reduction in real earnings, bousewives would find them-

The country was already living "on tick" to the extent of about six per cent of the standard of living. Belts must

Companies wanted to be able

to sell their products and invest in new plant and

By Clifford Webb
British Road Services, the largest haulage company in the country, is increasing its rates by 25 per cent almost immediately. The move will inevitably Mr Kenneth Coo.

firm quotations to customers, BRS are regarding the 25 per cent increase as a basic rate which will apply for the next

predicts end of official gold price

From Frank Vogl Washington, Dec 18

Mr Jack Bennett Under-Secretary for Monetary Affairs at the United States Treasury, says it is highly probable that the Administration will propose legislation to Congress next year on a packet of monetary reform measures that will include the abolition of the official \$42.22 per ounce gold price price.
Such a move would pave the

way for the United States Treasury to revalue its 276 million ounces of gold reserves in line with free market prices.

Mr Bennett added that he was hopeful that international agreements would shortly be reached permitting the inter-national Monetary Fund to sell gold. The aim of such sales would be to increase the IMF's ability to make soft loans to developing countries.

Finance Ministers of 20 countries will meet here in mid-January in the forum of the Interim Committee of the IMF.

Mr Bennett now believes it probable, after summit meetings between President Ford and the heads of the Japanese. Canadian, West German and rench Governments, that agreements can be reached at this meeting on petrodellar this meeting on petrodollar recycling and the role of gold in the monetary system. Mr Bennett said he was hope

ful that agreement would be reached to change the articles of the IMF so that all references to an official gold price

Other changes that were likely to be agreed included abandoning restrictions on what countries do with their gold holdings; abolishing IMF rules concerning official payments in gold; and lifting all impedi-ments and the way of free IMF gold sales. He also believed agreement could be reached on increasing quotas of member countries to

The United States, he said, supported quota increases of about 25 per cent, but opposed any revision in quotas that would reduce the American relative strength within the

The Americans support, how-ever, a substantial increase in the relative position of oil-producing countries in the IMF. Without mentioning names, Mr Bennett said he was confident that this could be achieved through some oil-consuming countries accepting lower relative positions in the fund for

Bennett acknowledged that the agreement with the French to allow countries to revalue their gold reserves could play a role in assisting countries finance their payments deficits. Group of Ten's future, page 19

French deficit down France's trade deficit in the

first 11 months of this year was 16,123m francs (about £1.465m). which means the figure for the year should be well under 20,000m francs, M Norbert Segard, the French Foreign Trade Minister, said.

Price code widens relief

The new Price Code, announced yesterday after over a month of discussions between industry and Mrs Shirley Williams, the Secretary of State for Prices and Consumer Protec-tion, contains alterations aimed at improving industrial efficiency and protecting jobs, the Government says.
It follows closely the consul-

art rollows closely the consul-tative document published as part of the November Budget. The main modification is an ex-tension of the investment relief proposals to include capital proposats to include capital spending on warehousing as well as on plant, machinery and in-dustrial building. Payments under hire pur-

chase, credit sale and under leasing arrangements, which are for more than two years for plant and machinery, will also qualify for the investment relief. This allows companies to re-cover 17½ per cent of such ex-penditure through increased

costs.

The Department said yester-day that it had not been able to accept industry's requests to abandon completely price con-trols and that all increased labour costs should be passed into increased prices.

Another change made has been to raise the safeguard level for distributors to 80 per cent of reference levels. I had been Bakers dissatisfied, page 18 some time

US minister | Lord Stokes gloomy about 1975 as BLMC passes final dividend

After losing £16.6m in the first half of its last financial year, British Leyland made profits of nearly £19m in the second half, up to September 30. It thus ended the year with a profit of £2.3m before tax. However, this modest profit

was only a fraction of the £51.3m that BL made in the previous year and the group plunged back into losses again in the first two months of this year, because of strikes.

BL is not paying a final dividend and yesterday Lord Stokes, the chairman, said it was "impossible to be optimistic approach to the continuous control of the continuous control of the con mistic about motor industry prospects in 1975.

Levland was a victim of ram-pant inflation as well as strikes and he could not guarantee that there would not be redundan-

News that BL is passing its final dividend, together with Lord Stokes' sombre assessment of the future prompted a further 4p fall in the share price to 64p yesterday. At this

Bowater

have stake

in finance

By Christopher Wilkins Banking Correspondent

Bowater Corporation

emerged as the holder of a

strategic shareholding in Char-

terhouse Group, the financial and industrial concern which

controls Charterhouse Japhet, a City accepting house. Over a period of 18 months

last year and in the early part of this year Bowater built up its stake in Charterhouse to almost 10 per cent, just below the level at which it would have

been required to reveal its iden-

nity. The stake has been regis-

Recently, however, Charter-house has increased its equity

base as a result of its bid for

Charterhouse Investment Trust, and the Bowater stake has con-sequently been diluted to just

over 8 per cent. Mr John Vaughan, chairmau

Mr John Vaugnan, charman of Charterhouse, said yesterday that he did not know what Bowater's intentions were in building up its holding. Mr Malcolm Horsman, deputy chairman and managing director of Bowater, declined to comment on whether or not

Bowater was the holder However, in September this

year, Mr Horsman admitted in

a controversial interview that he was interested in acquiring

one of the accepting houses, the elite group of merchant banks, adding that he could get one

tomorrow if he wished.

His comments, which he subsequently said were taken out of context, sparked off a storm. with Mr Michael Verey, chair-

man of the Accepting Houses Committee, saying that an accepting house could only be bought if it wished to be bought

and if the transaction had the

approval of the Bank of Eng-

French buy 500

UK petrol outlet

Five hundred VIP petrol stations in Britain, controlled

stations in Britain, controlled by Occidental Oil, and a further 200 in West Germany have been sold to Elf, the French oil com-pany for about \$25m (£10.8m). Elf, which currently has no stake in the United Kingdom petrol market, will have the right to use the VIP trade mark. The French company already sells its lubricants in the United Kingdom.

Occidental said yesterday that it was selling a major part of its European retail marketing operations to Elf. The network had been on the market for

Bank sells

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group

level, BL has an equity value in the stock marker of £35½m against this year's highest level of 2-bout £130m.

BL yesterday rejected what it called the "ill informed criticisms which have been made about the Corporation's management below board level". Asked at a press conference about his own future with the group, Lord Stokes said he would continue to serve it "as long as I am wanted".

Although BL made a profit

before tax lest year, tax and minority shareholders' payments plus the £15.7m net loss on closing down local manufacture in Australia, resulted in an overall net loss of £23.9m for the year, against profits of £23.3m the previous year.

Industrial disputes and the effects of inflation on materials, labour and interest charges, raised BL's costs by £190m last year though a good deal of this was recovered through price

Industrial disputes had cost the corporation around £100m in lost cash flow since BL was formed six years ago. Apart

A row is about to break out

between the British Gas

Corporation and two French oil

companies over delays in the delivery of gas from the Frigg fields in the Northern North

The French companies, Total

and Elf, have told British Gas that because of delays in the

construction of a concrete pro-

duction platform in Scotland Frigg gas cannot be expected to

British Gas has called special

talks with the two companies to remind them they are contracted to bring the gas ashore in 1976.

The corporation is pressing ahead with the construction of reception terminal at St Fergus and an extension of the trans-

mission system so that the new

gas supplies can be fed into the

"We expect to complete these works on schedule by early 1976 when we had originally

hoped to have the Frigg gas coming ashore. We do not

accept that the gas cannot be landed before 1977", said a

Total and Elf are suffering

the same sort of delays that

corporation spokesman.

UK network.

come ashore before 1977.

By Roger Vielvoye

British Gas in clash

over N Sea supplies

from the current strike at Triumph, Leyland faced a £16 a week wage claim by workers at

the Cowley plant.

BL said vesterday that after the oil crisis and the three day week (which caused the interim loss) there had been a "sub-stantial outflow of cash". Taking the view that " two or three tough years" were likely from the end of 1974, EL had cut costs by ceasing to hire new labour and reducing manpower by 10,000 through natural wastage.

Although the present cash position was close to the fore-cast used in a BL presentation to the Department of Industry and to its principal bankers in July bankers had only recently indicated that they were not prepared at this time to make available the necessary additional funds.

have dogged other companies in the development of oil from

the Northern North Sea. Work

on the first concrete produc-tion platform by the McAlpine,

Sea Tank group has been at a standstill for five weeks because of a strike by electricians.

companies there is little pros-pect of the platform being ready

to float out during the summer in time for gas production to begin in 1976.

A warning was also given

yesterday that American com-panies were hesitating in reach-

ing decisions on investment in the North Sea until the ques-

tion of Government participa-tion and the level of taxation had been resolved. Mr George

Home, deputy managing direc-tor of the Royal Bank of Scot-land, said this hesitation could

delay oil being brought ashore. And in the Middle East British Petroleum and Gulf

have reached a new agreement

with Kuwait over the price and quantity of oil that will be lifted during the first quarter of 1975. Gulf will take 900,000

barrels and BP 800, 000 at 10.15

a barrel.
Prices are 71 cents up on

the previous quarter

According to the two French

nai runds.

BL's total unit sales last year fell from 1,161,000 to 1,020,000 and yesterday Lord Stokes said he doubted whether "economists' forecasts" of around 11m eval industry sales in the 1.1m total industry sales in the United Kingdom market in 1975 could in fact be mer.

Herstatt creditors agree to settlement

Cologne, December 18.—Herstatt creditors have approved an agreed settlement of their claims against the collapsed bank, bringing to a successful conclusion the strenuous efforts to avoid bankruptcy proceedto avoid bankruptcy proceed

Approval came at the end of a 14-hour, emotion-charged mass creditors meeting in the rections meeting in the control of the settlement is expected on December 30 and the first payment will go to creditors one month later. The settlement entails the payout of DM1,200m (£210m) to

the 15,000 still-unsatisfied Her-statt creditors. The payment represents quotas of 45 to 65 per cent for the three classes of individuals and institutions that had money at the Herstatt bank when it collapsed on June 26 after heavy losses in foreign exchange dealings.

The meeting was essentially an extended legal poker game an extended legal poker game between insurance magnate Dr Hans Gerling, S4 per cent Herstatt shareholder, and the 2,000 creditors present in the stadium. Dr Gerling insisted at the outset, through a representative, that he would contribute to the compensation plan only if it were approved by 95 per cent of banks and community govern-

of banks and community governments involved and 85 per cent of other creditors. This degree of assent was necessary to protect him against possible ruin ous lawsuits, he said.

Early voting showed 75.7 per cent of creditors in favour of

the plan but the percentage of approval rose later, inducing Gerling to compromise.

With Dr Gerling's written approval received late Tuesday, all that remained to formalize the plan was the second vote requiring only 80 per cent back ing. This vote was overwhelm ingly in favour. Tougher banking laws: The West German Cabinet approved Bill to toughen the connerv's

banking law, particularly by imposing new conditions on the granting of large individual credits by banks. In future a bank will not be able to grant a large single credit—that is one exceeding DM50,000—if it exceeds 75 per cent of the bank's capital and

open reserves. The five largest big credits combined may not exceed threatimes a bank's capital and reserves while all large credits together will not exceed six times a bank's capital and reserves. Gruenewaid said.

Arabs pay £4m for Slater stake in Costain they are." But it is understood Iran and Oman among the coun-

By Peter Wainwright
Slater, Walker Securities' 20.7
per cent "long term" stake in
civil engineers Richard Costain
has been sold. Yesterday it was
slater's
had has been sold. Yesterday it was announced that Slater's 5,142,373 ordinary shares had gone for 81p or f4.16m to a group of Arab investors who are thought to be long-term shareholders. Mr Jim Slater is resigning from the Costain board. Slater, Walker would not disclose who the Arabs are and Mr Herbert Mullineaux, Costain's finance director, said: "At the moment we just don't know who

moment we just don't know who

that the shares will be regis-tered in the name of a Swiss Bank, the Banque Gestion.

chairman, reported Arab buying of his company's shares and the group now believes that the share transfer will facilitate parmership projects in the Costain now does around a

quarter of its business with oil-producing states. The last balance sheet included Abu Dhabi, Bahrain, Brunei, Dubai,

At the annual meeting last
June, Mr John Sowden, Costain
chairman, reported Arab businessmen to go on the
Costain board and no change in
policy is contemplated

ance of unknown Arabs with a fifth of one of our leading civil engineers who rival Wimpey in the Middle East may cause a stir in some quarters.

News of the Slater, Walker

sale lifted Costain's shares 5p to 81p while Slater, Walker's shares rose 1p to 35p.

By David Young

tions haulage and distribution activities to the tune of £6mform and earnings from property are sharply down from around £6m to £1.5m. To balance this, British Road Services earned higher profits in adverse conditions, as did Pickfords Removals with record results.

Freightliners have deteriorated from a surplus of about £1m last year to about £20,000 but the system is highly vulnerable to railway industrial How the markets moved

able to railway industrial troubles such as current signal-men's strikes which affect the key London-Harwich service. US payments deficit

surges ahead The United States basic

The United States basic balance of payments deficit shot ahead to its second highest ever level in the third quarter of this year. The deficit totalled \$3,581m (£1,556.9m) against a deficit in the second quarter of \$2,479m.

The Department of Commerce's Bureau of Economic OECD secretariat are still to the the apparent worsen the traditional trade-off by employment and P, by "some sort of Pand incomes policy". To so is they contemplate tax by for hard-pressed employment and policy indexation of tax they are a marketics. The Department of Com-merce's Bureau of Economic merce's Bureau of Economic Analysis reported yesterday that the deficit for the first nine months of this year totalled \$4.265m (there was a first quarter surplus of \$1,795m, compared with a 5287m deficit in the same 1973 period.

NVT chief's warning

ECD staff argue that in Theurs some small coun-Mr Dennis Poore, chairman of Norton Villiers Triumph, warned shareholders that time Bustria, Holland, Norway Tyeden—have achieved Stamployment and growth warned snareholders that cities was running out for the British motor cycle industry. Unless a clear decision was taken soon much more inflation OECD average thanks by Mr Benn, the Secretary of by Mr Benn, the Secretary of State for Industry, there would be no industry left to take a decision about. "The choice is clear", said Mr Poore. "Either public ownership and a three-factory industry or back to the two-factory plan with compensation for NYT."

Business apt Appointment Financial Ed Financial nev Letters Diary Wall Street Market report Share prices nent incomes policies. Friher argue that the such policies in counthe United States and Kingdom owed somethe unfavourable cirs in which those poliapplied, when com-rices were exploding gome economies were

THE POUND Rises 3p to 140p 2p to 125p 15p to 120p 3p to 24p 25p to 600p 3p to 70p 6p to 216p 4p to 120p 4p to 163p 8p to 474p 7p to 160p 2p to 54p Ass Port Cmmt buys Beecham Grp Brit Am Tob Broken Hill Fisons GEC 1.77 39.75 85.50 2.305 13.30 8.40 10.35 5.60 10.70 1,510.00 700.00 5.80 12.15 5.60 1.69 131.75 9.60 5.85 2.33 Australia S
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Midland Alum while the lost £10. Cocca futures were generally lower with losses ranging to £11; the nearby month, however, was £6 up. Sugar futures advanced between £3 and £7.50 in nervous trading but the London daily price was cut another £20 to £410. Reuters index was 10.8 down at 1.175.7. Equities remained firm. Spain Pes Sweden Kr Switzerland Fr US \$ Yngostavia Dor Gilt-edged securities turned dull. Sterling rose 75 points to \$2.3420. The "effective devaluation" rate was 21.1 per cent.

Gold fell \$2.50 to \$186.50.

SDR—\$ was 1.21930 while SDR—\$ was 0.521559. Rates for bank notes only, as supplied yesterday by Barclays Bank inter-bank interpolated by Barclays Bank inter-polational Ltd. Different rates apply to travellers' cheques and other foreign

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By R. W. Shakespeare

Although the 1,000 car assembly workers at British Leyland's Triumph plant in Coventry called off their three week-old strike yesterday, car production will not be back to normal before the weekend. The 11,000 workers in Coventry, Liverpool and Birmingham made idle are being recalled on a phased

This means that the Rover-Triumph division, which has lost some £30m worth of vehicle output over the past five to six weeks, will get only two full days of production—on Mon-day and Tuesday of next week —before the shutdown for the Christmas holidays

The assembly workers have been demanding payment for time which they lost during a two weeks strike by control room staff at the Coventry plant. They agreed to return to work yesterday on the re-commendation of their shop stewards who had negotiated fresh terms with the manage-

Now there will be new talks with the unions on layoff pay agreements, and for six weeks while these negotiations are in progress, the Triumph workers will be guaranteed payment at 80 per cent of normal earnings Until now all of British Leyland's lay off pay agreements have contained an automatic suspension clause when workers are stopped because of disputes within their own plant.

This dispute, which came at

an acutely embarrassing time for British Leyland, while it was trying to negotiate financial help from the Government, has been settled against background of warnings from Mr Richard Perry, managing director of Rover-Triumph that continued production losses would lead to permanent cut backs and redun-

So far British Leyland has managed to weather the mount-ing crisis in the car industry without any direct redundancies but this year it has reduced its total labour force by some 10,000 workers through "nat-

ural wastage". Chrysler has had to make staff cuts. About 700 white collar workers will lose their jobs by early in the New Year. Also the company is laying off more than 4,000 car workers in Coventry and another 1,000 at Linwood in Scotland for three datory cut in the discounts given to retailers by bakers. Both or four day periods over Christ-mas and the New Year.

'Disquietingly high' loss of staff shown by Inland Revenue report

By Peter Wainwright Staff shortages are facing the Inland Revenue and the staff wastage is disquietingly high according to the department's annul report for 1973-4. Low rates of Civil Service pay are said to be the cause.

The staff total was 69,802 on March 31 last, compared with 70,712 a year ago. It is thought that the Inland Revenue needs 1,800 more personnel. A pay award made in November 1973 helped, but both wastage and recruitment remained unsatis-

The cost to the taxpayer of the department is holding steady. Collection of all Inland United Kingdom or the special Revenue duties in 1973-74 cost PAYE inquiry offices mainly in

Private sector house-building

for the third quarter of this

year was 31 per cent down on

last year's figure, according to

statistics issued by the Depart-

ment of the Environment yes

Compared with the depressed

second quarter output in real terms fell 4.3 per cent. In cur-

rent orice terms the total outout

value was £2,647m, compared with £2,576m in the second quarter and £2,377m in the third quarter of 1973.

Average prices for housing

land in England and Wales dur-ing the first half of 1974 were £2,700 a plot and £25,000 an

acre, according to figures also published yesterday by the

This means that the cost of

land was 3 per cent higher than

a year ago but 1 per cent lower

than in the second half of last

Department.

31 pc fewer

homes built in

third quarter

f181.8m, an increase of only 14.83 per cent on the year be-fore, about the rate of inflation. The cost of collection of taxes on income, profits and capital gains was equivalent to 1.75 per cent of the tax total, on death duties 1.04 per cent, and on

Convictions against tax evaders fell from 152 to 146. The number of acquittals rose from 5 to 12. The report reminds us that every attempt is made to assist

stamp duties 1.03 per cent.

taxpayers in compiling returns. They are welcome to inquire by telephone or personally at any of the 750 tax offices in the

BSC may notify

Community of

increases today

Increases in steel prices are expected to be notified to the European Coal and Steel Com-

munity today by the British Steel Corporation. These in-creases, which are thought to be less than the 20 to 25 per cent

which the state steel undertak-ing considered justifiable earlier this year, could be implemented

during the first week of January.

Yesterday, Dr Monty Finniston, BSC's chairman, had a meeting with Lord Beswick, Minister of State for Industry,

which the Department of Indus-

which the Department of Industry described as "one of the routine and regular meetings However, the prices issue would almost certainly have been raised by Dr Finniston

While the BSC technically has freedom in pricing policies under the terms of the ECSC, the indications are that the

the indications are that the British Government has once

again intervened and asked the BSC to cut back the scale of

and near London, but also in Manchester and throughout Scotland

Among other figures the report shows that tax revenue rose £1,485m to £17,395m in 1973-74, and is estimated to go up to £22,114m in the current financial year.

Income tax in 1974-75 is estimated to provide £9,682m of this and customs and excise revenue £7,510m. The surtax estimate is £200m, and capital gains tax £320m, or £3.6m less than in 1973-74. Death duties should account for £380m and motor vehicle duties £540m.

The major omission, as last year, is selective employment

Mr Loveday says brokers may fall to 100

Broking firms on the London stock market, which now num-ber about 140 compared with 169 a year ago, could reach the 100 level within a year, Mr George Loveday, chairman of the Stock Exchange said yester-

day.

"A lot of people are still looking for mergers," he told a press conference. The stock market, he said, would not re-cover until there was a sign that inflation was being controlled and money rates started to ease. The first recovery would have

to be in gilt-edged stocks. The past three weeks have seen a further fall in prices of gilt-edged stocks, in the wake of the setback in sterling on suggestions that some Arab states were unwilling to accept sterling in payment for oil purchases.
But the government bond
market staged a determined re-

covery after encouraging statements on monetary intentions from Saudi Arabia.

Bakers dissatisfied with Price Code rule

By Hugh Clayton Bakers said yesterday that they wanted early meetings with ministers because the new Price

Code failed to give adequate relief to their industry. They want to meet Mr Peart, Minister of Agriculture, and Mrs Williams, Secretary for Prices and Consumer Protection. Their appeal coincided with the postponement by Mrs Williams' Department of a man-

BANKERS' FINAL EXAMINATIONS

party expected a decision on discounts yesterday. They forecast a legal maximum of 22½ per cent on all discounts and a rollback to the level operating immediately before the bread subsidy was last increased on September 3.

Leading bakers said that the relief given in the new Code, published yesterday, would not let them recover costs without long delay. This meant that they would be unable to recover the costs of the recent bakers' pay bakers and retail members of awards in England, Wales and the CBI distributors' working Scotland until early January.

But the delivery drivers' pay award, which had yet to be agreed but which would be backdated to December 1, would not be recoverable until mid-March at the earliest under a second application to the Price Commis-

Bakers resented the distinction that permitted manufacturers who made claims under the allowable costs clauses to retrospective costs recover while those who used the relief clauses, like themselves, were debarred from retrospective

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BMW cars to go up by about 4 pc in January

Prices in Britain of the German BMW car range are to rise by about 4 per cent in January, the first BMW price increase for 15 months.

BMW Concessionaires GB said yesterday that the increase resulted from the weakness of sterling against the Deutsche

BMWs at present range from almost £2,000 to £8,500, and the company stressed that one of its chief competitors, the Jaguar XJ12, was now £300 more expensive than the BMW 3-litre saloon.

£5.000m invested by Britain in new ships

Britain's shipping industry has invested more than £5,000m on new tonnage, both built and on order over the past 10 years. The United Kingdom Chamber of Shipping said yesterday that almost £3,000m had been in-vested in new ships since 1964 to provide Britain with its largest ever fleet and one of the most modern and diversified in the world. And the industry had on order a further 20 million tons deadweight of tonnage valued at well over £2,000m.

Waste paper threat

Voluntary collectors of waste paper are likely to be discouraged and longer term requirements jeopardized because of the inability of mills to increase their stocks of waste, paper industry leaders told the Government.

Mr Michael Meacher, Under Secretary of State for Industry, told officials of the British Paper and Board Industry Federation, that until new legislation was introduced, government assist-ance was limited to that provided under the Industry Act.

Opencast go-ahead

The go-ahead for opencast coalmining at Bryn Pica near Aberdare, Glamorgan, has been given in the "national interest" despite local protests, said the Department of Trade and Industry Office for Wales and Industry Office for Industry dustry Office for Wales announcing the decision yesterday.

VW looks to Chile

The Brazilian subsidiary of Volkswagenwerk AG of West Germany is among bidders interested in building a car plant in Chile, company officials in Sao Paulo said.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Final pay pensions: the problem of definition

From Mr D. B. Smee Sir, Mr Brooks's letter of December 3 suggests that final salary schemes can be unjust. I agree that if we are looking at the last year only there can be business. injustice: but the problem is Yours faithfully, injustice: but the problem is partly one of the definition of final salary incorporated in the rules of the particular scheme. It is in fact quite common for the rules to define final salary not in terms of the last actual

year of service but as, for example, the average of the best three years in the last 10. Having said that it is right to recognize that final salary schemes are not necessarily the most appropriate for all classes of employment, as it is com-mon for there to be a different style in remuneration between one type of employee and another. This difference is not

necessarily between staff and works employees alone; another example is to be found among salesmen, who often experience a considerable falling-off in earning power towards their retirement aze.

For situations where the wage pattern creates a peak more than about 10 years before normal retirement date an alternative plan basing pensions on average wages, revalued to take account of inflation, could well prove to be more advantageous.

The important point to bear in mind is that there is no one to answer the question of what is the best way of calculating

targets
From Mr A. J. Lucking Sir, Mr Arthur Reed's excelidea of airline route tar should consult a specialist to should be applied forthwith the domestic trunk rou British Airways has failed help in the design of the scheme most suitable to meet the circumstances of his own make profits on them si 1960-61, with occasional ex-

D. B. SMEE. President, The CIB Society of Pension Consultants, 6-7 Buckingham Street,

From Mr B. K. Mead Sir, There is one factor present in many pension schemes which was omitted by Mr Brooks from his letter on the hidden in-justices of final pay pension schemes.

This is the not uncommon provision that final salary is determined by the amount being earned at age 60 and pension is based on that figure even though actual retirement age is

It is hardly necessary in the current inflationary situation to mention the considerable dif-ference which may take place in salary between the ages of 60 and 65.

It is another illustration of "cross funding" which in this case is very much to the detriment of those in the executive brackets. Yours faithfully.

B. K. MEAD, 5 Highfield Close, Kenilworth, Warwicks, CV8 1QR.

Could banks use rescue funds better elsewhere?

From Mr N. Jones Sir, I see frequent references to the Bank of England and to the big banks in general assist-ing in rescue operations on various financial institutions which have encountered difficulties. These announcements have become so frequent, and the total amount of support so great, that I wonder whether banks are in fact justified in these procedures.

If a bank takes part in a rescue operation which absorbs several million pounds of its assets, does this mean that while those assets are thus employed they are not available to other customers of that bank? Are the directors of

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that bank able to say categorically that their action in participation in such a rescue operation is in the best interests of their shareholders and of their depositors, and in fact is the best use they could make of the assets so employed?

tect their own investments in

At what point, however, are the advantages of such rescue operations outweighed by other economically desirable uses to which these funds might be put? I certainly do not know the answer. Perhaps you do. Yours truly,

NEWTON JONES, Lundon, N20.

It is clearly in the interests of the whole community that there should be reasonable stability among financial institu-tions, and the Bank of England and the larger financial institutions obviously can play a con-siderable part in this. Equally, if the banks themselves have in the past, possibly through an overgenerous lending policy, contributed to the posi-tion which has arisen, one can understand their desire to help their debtors in order to pro-

such companies.

over does not even reach minimum 55,000 upon which would be liable for VAT.

Yet, along with much me substantial self-employ people, I shall be called up to pay the 8 per cent tax any ner earnings between £1,6 and £3,600 per annum, witho your correspondents ha pointed out, any compensati advantage. It seems that the only w

Airline route

tions on the London Bel

route, whereas British C donian made profits u

At the recent public hear on applications for fare creases, British Caledonian &

evidence that they would be even if "70 per cent +" the seats were filled at exis fares, and "60 per cent with a 25 per cent fare incre

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Mr Reed also mentions:

public interest requires

something is done, but it wo seem unfair to close do

British Caledonian to abs just a quarter of British ! ways 20,000 odd surplus staff

Self-employed

Sir, I am the proprietor of business so small that our ti

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satisfactory again.

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out (unless, which would much more desirable, t scheme can be withdrawn the result of our protests) w be to form my translation bu ness into a limited company a become myself its employ-managing director.

Then I shall have to pay bo the employer's and the en ployee's National Insuran stamps, but this will be a litt less than the self-employed pe son's contribution and t administrative costs of running a company should be less that the levy imposed because in is self-employed.

Is Mrs Castle really determined in the control of the control of

mined to make even in smallest businessman into a unbloated capitalist? Yours faithfully, BRIAN BAREFOOT Ashford, Kent.

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Year to 30.9.74 30.9.73 31.3,74 Turnover Trading_Profit 10,299,967 9,817,358 19,412,771 Less: Depreciation, Interest and contributions to Staff Pension Fund 128,039 Profit Before Tax 334,512 173,000 364,514 189,800 617,499 318,196

Profit After Tax 161,512 174,714 Conditions in the retail motor industry have been difficult throughout the period, but our emphasis on the service and supplies aspects of the business has enabled us to produce a result which is very close to that achieved in 1973. Turnover is up by 4.9%, but Profit before Tax is down by 8.2%. The Directors consider this to be a satisfactory result under existing circumstances and have declared an Interim Dividend of 1.4p actual per Ordinary Share—the same as last year, which will be paid on 22nd January, 1975. 299.303

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BY THE FINANCIAL EDITOR

Removing the Crown Agents' mystique

surely one of the finer
of the banking crisis
the Government itself
be forced to launch a for its own secondary That, in effect, is what Government's proposed injection of fresh capital he Crown Agents is all It reflects the belief of ohn Cuckney, the new Crown Agent, that this fficial government body, its quirks, is a banking ss which has conas which has con-usly lacked an adequate I base in the past.

this case, however, the e does not appear to started with a run on is. Last December, de-by principals stood at just £300m, of which about was in sterling. While the ig figure has apparently ed to around £200m this the fall has been made by an increase in deposits

s on the right-hand side balance-sheet that the ms have really come home ost. Recipients of the 1 Agent's money in the lary banking and financial 6 have included First ral Finance Corporation, ph Investment Trust, Ster-Industrial Securities, ern Commercial Trust and ate Mercantile. As a ret has had to stump up en E40m and E50m as part e secondary bank rescue

the property sector its itment stands at over It has been involved the failed Stern and Lyon rty groups and still has an ment in the private prop-nterests of Messrs Ramon e and Jack Walker who instrumental in making a profit for the Agents in a property deal with the Office Pension Fund last along with a similar gain

the basis of unaudited gement accounts pros of around £55m may be sary against some of the iudicious investments in e and property. The resif the £85m would provide v capital base of around implying a ratio of its to capital of around 10.

perhaps, is somewhat mic in view of the Bank of nd's arrangements to pro-support facilities to the t of the whole of the ts' liabilities, a key point osting foreign confidence-ratios do at least impose cial discipline—a point times forgotten by those argue that clearing bank no longer have much

me of this, however, alters act that there is something lalous in the Govern ing a secondary bank in first place and the assurs that the Government will rately get its money back a somewhat mixed consolafor the taxpayer.

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odest pre-tax advance by to £16.4m at im stage may have fallen or so short of market but by and large the gs and roundabouts of the ing half are very much one might have expected. he plus side, then, in comes d Union, bouncing back in with the rest of the United es supermarket trade with imp in first-half profits of per cent. And so far as inham is concerned that unts for slightly more than whole of an advance from

level and a contribution net of financing charges of some £4½m at the pre-tax level.

Sweden and Spain have apparently had good half years, too, so there has been a sharpish fall elsewhere and, needless to say, the main culprit has been the United Kingdom—sales up from £242m to £291m—where from £242m to £291m—where the tale is similar to that of the rest of the industry. Denmark, too, has been a soft spot, while the French operations have had a particularly sticky period in a particularly sticky period in animal feedstuffs.

Meanwhile, second half trading is reasonably encouraging so far and net and the shortterm cash position at the end of the half year was slightly up on the end March figure. With a prospective yield of 13.1 per cent, the shares at 45p now look to be much more recent. look to be much more reasonably valued in relation to the high level of overall gearing. Interim: 1974-75 (1973-74) Capitalization £36.7m (—) Sales £800m (£308m) Pre-tax profits £16.4m (£16.2m) Dividend gross 2p (1.7p)

Associated Dairies

Longer-term attractions

Associated Dairies has sound defensive merits and is, para-doxically a bull market share par excellence. At the root of this anomaly lies the yield, a pathetic 4.1 per cent at 54p, even assuming the maximum permitted increase in the dividend.
Dividend cover is extremely

high, and on the first half show ing is unlikely to be eroded. True, a 27 per cent sales gain during the six months to end-October—a period when inflation was well into double figures and the group had five new openings—was hardly ex-traordinary: on the other hand four of the five new openings were not made until September. Front loading will, in consequence, continue to affect the second half profits performance; however, the worst of the impact of rising costs should be over, and there will be a big improvement in interest receipts—down from £291,000 to £115,000 at halftime in consequence of de-liberate stock-building towards the end of the preceding year. Something in the region of £8m pre-tax (as against £7.29m) is the likely outcome for the year, and as such Asda is selling on one of the lowest multiples in the sector, though it boasts one of the best profit records.
That makes it a cheap buy—but
only on a long-term view:
short-term the shares will be vulnerable to every setback in

Interim: 1974-75 (1973-74) Capitalization £19.1m Sales £93.8m (£73.9m) Pre-tax profits £3,62m (£3.41m) Dividend gross 1.49p (1.14p)

Charterhouse Tougher times

ahead No surprises from Charterhouse Group, whose full year profit increase of 91 per cent falls to almost nothing if one ignores the £656,000 adjustment to the 1972-73 figures. But while the divisional breakdown for 1973-74 shows steady trading progress across the board, pulled back at the pre-tax level by higher interest charges, there must be several areas of connust be several areas of concern in the present year.

Development and venture capital is one. A substantial part of profits in this division de-

rives from realizations of existing investments (there were two last year), and Charterhouse

admits it is becoming tougher to make realizations at the right price in present conditions. Second, there is banking, where profits rose by 21 per cent last year but where some difficul-ties have been experienced in the Eurodollar market with consequent restrictions on new advances. The overall bank balance sheet total is down from £83m to £81m.

Third, there is manufactur-ing, 23 per cent ahead last year to £3.7m, despite a downturn for Charcon's construction interests. The present year will clearly again be difficult for Charcon, and as the year pro-gresses it could also become harder for Alenco where there are currently some signs of ar order downturn. Newage, the engineering business, is still performing strongly, however, and is apparently headed for higher

profits this year. So while the spread of in-terests, taking in also insurance broking and distribution, is going to provide a useful underprop it seems unlikely to save Charterhouse from a num-ber of problems. There is no reason for the shares, yielding 19 per cent at 24p, to vary much from their traditional pattern of keeping pace with the market as a whole. Meanwhile, Bowater's stake can do no barm, though it would be unwise to expect any developments in the short term. Final: 1973-74 (1972-73) Capitalization £15.7m

Pre-tax profits £7.85m (£7.18m) Earnings per share 6.72p (6.59p) Dividend gross 4.56p (4.33p) Fodens

Concern about liquidity

An odd picture emerges at Fodens, where a head-long fall in the share price and a dividend yield somewhere in the stratosphere has been signalling problems for some time. Yesterday's news of short-term liquidity difficulties appeared to fall short of the most pessimistic expectation, although it sent the shares down another 34p to 10p. The group was not revealing the fate of the dividend, which, at 9.3p gross per share last year could still be adequately covered by net pro-

fits in the current year.

The shortfall in interim pretax profits looks relatively modest at 164 per cent, although the first quarter gained some extra bounce from the come-back after the three-day week. From then on conditions worsened, with production cut from about 60 to 40 units per week over the past couple of months after a collapse in domestic demand for commer-cial vehicles in September-October. But the group is laying emphasis on the mix rather than the quantity of production, with higher margin exports, defence contracts and dump

trucks now accounting for around 60 as against under 40 per cent of output That concentration, Fodens reckon, might be enough to tide them over the worst of the depression in the United King-dom commercial vehicles mar-

But overshadowing every thing is the liquidity position Fodens has spent around £3m on new plant over the past couple of years. The last balance sheet showed the annual net cash requirement at £2.6m met mainly from shorterm short-term loans horrowings. bank the present low level of production appears to be sufficient to keep the group in profit, some long-term funding is now essen-

tial. Interim: 1974-75 (1973-74) Capitalization £0.79m Sales £15.1m (£11.4m) Sales £15.1m (£11.4m) | calculations presented in Brus-Pre-tax profits £0.425m (£0.51m) | sels as part of the British case mates differ from those of the

Group of 10 reemerges with a new importance

The Group of 10, which in the last couple of years has been pushed into the background by at first the Group of 20 and later the Group of 5, is now bouncing back as the main forum for hammering out international economic agreements.

There has been no shortage of brilliant ideas in recent years on how best to reform the interon how best to reform the international monetary system, but time and again the lack of efficient institutional arrangements has thwarted the prospects of

having bright concepts translated into reality.

The Group of 10 was fortunately in place as an existing and experienced organization when the regime of fixed exchange rates crashed in 1971. It was because this group could work effectively that it was possible for leading countries to reach agreement in December, 1971, on an important realignment of exchange rates.

Ext the Group of 10, consist-ing as it does of the finance ministers of the main western industrial countries and Japan (Switzerland has always enjoyed special observer status), has often been seen as an unrepresentative international body. To make it more representative and to mollify the complaints of developing nations, the group was expanded to 20 ministers in

The new Group of 20 was charged with the task of reforming the Bretton Woods system. It was soon realized, however, that the group was far too big and unwieldly to ensure quick action at times of crisis. When all officials, deputies and special observers were counted, it was found that formal meetings of the Group of 20 demanded conference rooms that could seat fully 400 people.

To ensure some quick action on urgent matters the finance ministers of the United States, France, Britain, West Germany and Japan started meeting and each meeting was followed by sharp diplomatic messages to the participants from those ministers of the Group of 20 who were left out of the special Group of 5 sessions.

Britain's attempt to renegotiate the terms of its membership of

the EEC is rapidly moving away

from being an argument about the general philosophical stand-

point of the various countries

involved on what the nature of the Community should be, and

becoming instead a battle of

apparent than in the debate about the size of the United Kingdom's contribution to the

Community budget,
This is not only because it is
the size of our budgetary con-

EEC believe imposes an unfair

burden on this country's

balance of payments: it is also

because the issue is, by its

nature, one where it is possible

Any scheme which tries to deal with this problem, then, must have built into it some

notion of what would be a fair bill for the United Kingdom to

pay, a prediction of how much

the current arrangements will

mechanism for putting right any injustices which occur. It is these points which form the centre of a recent study by

J. R. Dodsworth for the Federal

Trust, which provides the best

recent attempt by an indepen-dent expert to weigh the claims of the United Kingdom and its

In particular, the paper ac-

tually opens up the workings which produce its conclusion, in

a way which was not done in the case of the recent Treasury

Most building society leaders

a lifetime's service with one

society. Not so Potter, who,

after a good war, spent several

of International Affairs before

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terparts in other societies who

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By last spring the inaction within the Group of 20 had reached the point where most people agreed that the body served little purpose. The last session of the Group of 20 was held in Washington last summer and coincided with a political and financial crisis in Italy.

At a dinner party during the Group of 20 meeting the mini-sters of the Group of 10 mer informally. They decided to permit countries to use gold as colleteral in international loans and tacitly agreed that the old Group of 10 had to be revived. The Group of 5 mer again,

however, at the express invita-tion of Dr Henry Kissinger, the United States Secretary of United States Secretary of State, just before this year's annual meeting of the International Monetary Fund. The diplomatic protests from those excluded from this meeting were greater than ever before. To petch up all the diplo-

matic problems produced over disbanding the Group of 20 and the holding of sessions of the Group of 5, new arrangements have been worked out. A new Governing Council of the IMF has been created consisting of 20 ministers.

The Group of 5 will meet quierly in the future, but it will be the old Group of 10 which actually takes decisions. And the way things are now

And the way things are now shaping up suggests that the Group of 10 will enjoy more importance than ever before. The group has for the time being effectively been entrusted with dealing with financial matters relating to both general monetary reform and petrodollar recycling-

It is expected that the group's decisions will be rubber stamped by the governing Council of 20 of the IMF and later, should the need arise, by the full annual meeting of governors of the IMF.

In the energy area the Group of 10's role now spreads beyond the confines of financial mat-ters. The French are not members of the special International Energy Agency, whose task it is to coordinate the policies of

Counting the cost of EEC

membership for Britain

760m units of account (£317m).

This was much lower than most estimates made before we joined, but still more than seems fair from a country which is near the bottom of the

league table of income per

in the estimate of how much we shall have to pay is the way in which world food prices have

moved up towards (and in some

cases overtaken) prices in the

of account, is well within the range of guesses which emerged

from earlier calculations such as the 1971 White Paper (240m

units of account) up to one

However, much as events may have moved in favour of the Common Agricultural Policy, there is still no way of avoiding the fact that it is going to result

in significant payments into Community funds by any state such as the United Kingdom

which is heavily dependent on imports of food from outside the EEC.

Even more expensive, how-

ever, will be our continued ten-

dency to go on importing indus-

trial products on which tariffs must be paid. Dodsworth esti-

mates our contribution to the Community from this source at

around 837m units of account,

slightly more than was assumed in the recent Treasury calcula-

tions, but well in line with the

broad sweep of their figures.

estimate of 843m.

One reason given for the fall

and which assessed the United Treasury, and where other Kingdom net contribution at nations in the EEC are likely

tion for a conference with the main oil producers. But the French are members of the Group of 10.

According to most senior United States officials, it, was agreed at last weekend's Franco-United States summit in Martinique, that French views on matters dealt with by the International Energy Agency will be filtered through to this agency from the Group of 10. A special working party of the group is now actively working on plans for a special

for the leading oil consuming countries. This working party countries. This working party will finalize its proposals in Washington on January 8 and 9. On January 10 the deputies of the Group of 10 meet for the start of a three-day session to hammer-out agreements on the recycling question and the IMF's role in recycling, as well as on monetary reform issues. Then the Group of 10 meets at ministerial level on January at ministerial level on January
14 to finalize agreements that
will be presented for ratification, rather than for negotiation, to a three-day meeting, starting on January 15 of the interim council of 20 of the

According to senior United States Treasury officials there is a good chance now that the Japuary 14 Group of 10 meeting will be able to formulate agreements on a special recycling facility; on a modified expansion of the IMF's present recycling facility, mainly for use by developing countries; on increasing the IMF's ability to use its general lending facilities; on revising the quotas of IMF members; on amending the IMF's articles effectively to reduce the position of gold to that of just will be able to formulate agree

being able to buy, as well as

to have doubts about our claim

to be hard done by, is in the third, and less predictable com-

to the gross national product of

This tendency for a large

VAT component to benefit the United Kingdom is further re-

inforced by the fact that most

estimates suggest that the more

Thus, while Dodsworth estimates that we shall pay considerably more VAT into central coffers (between 135m and

481m units of account, compared with the Treasury esti-

mate of only 35m) he thinks we shall do much better in

the Treasury has suggested these at 560m units of account,

Dodsworth suggests that they are likely to be at least 633m, and may go as high as 1,062m.

However, although he points out that the receipts which the

United Kingdom, or any other country, stands to receive make

a significant impact on how fairly it is treated by the system, it is in terms of the contribution side that he seeks to

He examines two alternative schemes. One of these involves

allowing member states to keep

a larger proportion of their

customs duties, which he shows to be an ineffective way of cut-ting the United Kingdom con-tribution, and the other a sys-

tem of repayment to any country which can be shown to have paid in much more than is fair in terms of its national income.

Whether a scheme such as this, as the nearest possible

approach to tying contributions to national income, will be what the United Kingdom finally

presses for remains to be seen

find a formula for fairness.

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munity's regional fund

terms of receipts.

This is the amount which we

ponent of our contribution.

Frank Vogi

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This being so and the description of the techniques given here last week having been somewhat compressed, a fuller discussion of their merits is needed. Certainly reactions to last week's proposals suggest that they have not been univer-sally understood aright. petrodollar recycling facility

The proposed stabilization plan contained three stages, the

Instead, employers would be permitted at quarterly intervals

stage, which would last perhaps six months or until, say, 5 per cent of the labour force had infringed its terms, is to arrest the present accelerating disintegration of the social contract as currently understood. It would also provide a breathing space for consultations with employers and union leaders leading to stage two, based on macroeconomic targets agreed in the

The central feature of stage two would be a tax-like flat percentage levy on pay packets (and all other forms of income) tion of gold to that of just another commodity; and on lifting restrictions on countries

> The levy for normal em-ployees, and others, subject to PAYE, would be collected through either the income tax or the national insurance contributions machinery. Those not liable to PAYE would pay the levy as part of their end year tax

pay in through value added tax to "top up" the Community's funds to a level where they can meet expenditure. The more the EEC spends the more that the more the text of the more than th The precise calculation of how much of each month's increase in money earnings is "excessive", that is, adding to unit costs of production, is complicated and would need to VAT it will have to ask its member states to levy on its behalf and, within limits, VAT comes close to being a "fair" tax, in the sense of being linked be seen to be done by a body whose impartiality and objectivity were widely accepted. But in essence the calculation would start from the Department of Employment's monthly index of average earnings and money that is collected, the more money that will be spent on projects such as the Com-

in overtime working.

effect on employers unit costs of excess increases in money earnings. Provided that import prices are passive and that the subsidy does not go into profit margins, then prices will cease to rise on average, although substantial changes in relative prices can and should continue. Competition in conditions of comparatively weak markets should ensure that the payroll subsidy does not go into profit margins. But, if that assump-tion appeared insecure, govern-

Some recovery in profit margins from their present position is, of course, part of the Govern-

particular appreciation. The scheme differs fundamentally from other proposals for using the tax mechanism, such as the attempt to tailor the levy to individual groups of workers according to the size of pay settlements which they have settlements which they have achieved for themselves.

Price stability without tears

One thing of which the Government cannot be accused is laggardness in taking good advice from the right quarter. No sooner had suggestions been made in this space last Thursday for a stabilization plan, including use of the tax mechanism, obliged to apply fiscal restraints. ing use of the tax mechanism, to arrest the upward march of prices than it was reported that the Cabinet were studying just such an idea as a matter of high

second of which is rather novel. second of which is rather hovel. The first stage is simply a non-statutory real-terms pay stand-still, independently umpired and uncritical, during which no principal pay settlements would be allowed.

to compensate employees for any rise—excluding tax and import price changes—in the official retail price index over the previous three months. High-friction machinery would also be set up to deal with special cases within a predetermined annual budget " for all such cases. The main purpose of this

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coupled with payment back to employers—in the form of a flat percentage payroll subsidy —of the sums raised by the levy. The amount of the levy and the subsidy, which would be calculated as a percentage of gross earnings before all deductions, would be increased monthly to reflect the excess rise in pay in the previous month.

assessments. This is necessary for equity, although this group is not important to the economic mechanics of the scheme.

then subtract the normal national average gain in pro-ductivity and discount changes in earnings attributable to changes in unemployment and The payment back to em-

ployers as a payroll subsidy of all the money raised should on average just neutralize the

ment could take direct steps to stop such abuses.

ment's existing economic tactics as set out in Mr Healey's as set out ...
November Budget.
The following points need

David Blake

That would be statutory pay be put off even longer. The restraint and would invite chances are very slim; but gove direct strike action against the ernments have to keep trying.

although the levy-subsidy opera-tion would not itself lead to the extra unemployment which the Chancellor threatened. Individual real incomes will hardly be affected. Whether a man belongs to the category of the strong and the lucky who have been and might still be able to secure large nominal increases in pay or to the cate-gories of the weak and unfor-

gories of the weak and unfortunate who cannot protect themselves, the levy-subsidy operation will make little direct difference to the purchasing power of his income.

What he previously lost in rising prices—which can anyway be seen as a form of tax imposed by inflation—he will now lose on the levy. There is no bias between savers and now lose between savers and spenders nor much between people with different spending patterns, since the purchasing power of incomes, whether saved or spent, is unaffected and since relative prices will continue to adjust as before. Wives will gain from those husbands who are slow in passing

on increases in pay.

Employers will continue to have just the same incentive that they have under normal free collective bargaining to resist excessive pay claims—at least until the subsidies come to represent a large slice of labour costs. Groups of workers will run just as much risk as now of forcing their employers to

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price the firm and so their jobs out of the market, if they press too hard.
Those incentives and deter-

rents may well be much too weak now; but they will not be further weakened by the levysubsidy operation.

Equally, the scheme provides no direct disincentive to exces-

sive pay claims, since it will still suit the private interests of strong groups of workers to try to keep ahead of the game
in this case, ahead of rising
levies rather than of rising

prices will stop rising, thus en-abling the currency, to resume its normal economic function, while also deterring speculative spending and stabilizing export

prices.

Secondly—and this is the
whole gamble—it just may
make it possible to sell to the
public at large, including the ajority of working people, the basic collective interest in pay restraint-or more strictly in

non-monopolistic pay bargain-Part of the problem at prefears of being devoured by roaring price increases stand in the way of the necessary bold act of faith that their restraint will return to them through the restraint of others in the form of more stable

It must finally be repeated yet again that the only basic cure for inflation is disinflationary monetary and fiscal policies, which are presupposed as accompanying the stabiliza-tion plan offered here.

It can then be said, if anyone prefers to put it that way, that the real effect of the stabilization plan is to reduce the amount and duration of the unemployment concurrent with disinflation. Even if the stabi-lization plan is successful in that, it cannot ultimately reconcile long-term full employment with free collective bar-gaining, if the latter be used to raise the rewards of any groups of workers above the value of

their product.

But if by stabilizing prices it successfully prepares the ground for a stage three in which the levies and subsidies ceased simultaneously and an era of comparatively effective voluntary pay restraint based on an initially zero rate of inflation can begin, then the star-flationary doomsday which now seems so inevitable within a few years may be postponed. And if that interval is used nionary bouts of fiscal and monetary policy, doomsday may be put off even longer. The

chances are very slim; but gov-

Business Diary: Redmayne shops at Co-op • Shy shepherd

d Stanton Weir will on Year's Day become the director of the Retail Conan chairman Lord Red-

said yesterday.

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classed the CWS as a trade asso-ciation. The Co-op likes to think of itself as a multiple trader with 275 voluntary members in the local societies.

The classification meant that under the Retail Trade Practices Act, the CWS had to register all recommendations to At the Retail Consortium,

which represents retailing groups like the Multiple Shops' Federation, one of Weir's priori-ties will be to lobby for the defence of margins as the Government presses home price con-trols on basics such as bread. Weir now finds himself in the same boat as Methven, who this time last year had left ICI in the North and was not only ry-ing to get together a staff in new offices but trying to find a house for his wife and family. Weir, who will have to move to London from Manchester, has to sell his smallholding to find

a London house and new offices
"within walking distance of
Whitehall" for the consortium, which is now camping with the Multiple Shops' Federation in New Oxford Street. Methven, a kindly man, will no doubt have some tips on house-hunting in London. As for offices, well, the obvious chap to tackle would be the Co-op's bid buddy Harry Hyams. But, then, as the Co-op is so keen to tell us this week, Hyams

s Williams's predeces the largest in the world. At Geoffrey Howe, for one time—before the oil deficit assumed such massive proportions—its assets, £3,269m at the



The Halifax's Raymond Potter: doesn't let the grass grow.

last official count, would have been sufficient to wipe out Britain's balance of payments

So it is highly fitting that its new chairman and erstwhile chief executive, Raymond Potter, should become next year the building society movement's chief spokesman in the continuing and sometimes acrimonious dialogue which now exists between government and the

building societies. As negotiators, Potter and his government opposite number, Anthony Crosland, Secretary of State for the Environment, must surely tip the scales at the same level.

Raymond Potter is a heavy

ing Societies Association (his

ing has made him more familiar with the corridors of power than some of his predecessors, in ad-dition to which he got to know at Chatham House all sorts of useful people, such as Denis Healey, Chancellor of the Exchequer. Potter, a witty and practical man—he keeps St Kilda's sheep rather than mowing his laws majuration than he ing his lawn, maintains that be

tribution to the larger needs of the building society movement as a whole, will soon make him a more familiar and forthcoming figure. He will take over from

is a quiet, shy soul. It was an impression which was reinforced by his need to be locked

away in the Halifax's command-

ing new northern-fortress.

in May) but also because of his Leonard Boyle as chairman of unusual background for a build-the Building Societies' Associa-

move up through the ranks after Menden Story Should Dennis Poore ever tire of the motor bike business, he has a great future as a blurb

years with the Royal Institute writer. A "tale without precedent in the annals of British industry" is how the Norton Villiers Triumph chairman describes the sad story of the Meriden motor cycle cooperative in a 37-page booklet just produced

for shareholders.
As with most blurbs, the book that follows is nowhere near as racey, for with Tony Bean due to make a statement in the Commons tomorrow on the future, if any, of the British motor cycle industry Poore and NVT have to tread softly. Two lessons are to be from the two-year Meriden saga he says. The first is that there is to be a system wherein

which follows this investment must be free from politica NVT's plans for Meriden were not ruined by the sit-in itself

public money is used . . . then

the administration and contro

However, his elevation to chairman of the society, a deliberate move to allow him more thing for an increasing reward, irrespective of the standard and contribution of his work, will surely send Britain into the decline forecast by the Hudson

but by being prevented from dealing with it by ordinary mesons". The second lesson concerns the right to employment. The

institute. NVT says. Over to you, Tony Benn.

Danks Gowerton

-	Sea Oil, Industrial Bollers. Fork Lift Trucks and I	Mechanical Hand	iling Equipment
ľ	Summary of unaudited results		the ended
1	Six months ended September 30th 1974.	Sept. 30. 74	Sept 30. 73
ŧ		£	£
ı	SALES	4,287.000	3.392.000
:	PROFIT BEFORE TAX	347.000	291.000
1	TAXATION AT 52%	180.060	153,000
•	PROFIT AFTER TAX	167.000	141,000
ï	INTERIM DIVIDEND	27.000	27,000
	PROPERTY HEAD WAS DEPOSITED.	1.10 ////	114 000

RETAINED EARNINGS EARNINGS PER SHARE The Directors have declared an interim dividend of 0.7p per 25p share which will be paid on January 17th, 1975, to shareholders appearing on the Register of Members at the close of business on January 10th, 1975. The transfer books of the Company will be closed from January 11th, 1975, to January 15th, 1975, both days inclusive

HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE INTERIM STATEMENT BY ARTHUR J. S. ROE. ESQ. J.P., CHAIRMAN: Sales up by 26% and profits after tax up by 184-Group finances sufficient to susuain present growth and offset effects of current rate of inflation.

Orders on hand for the Group at high level

Substantial percentage of products of the Danks Division destined for North Sea Oil and gas

Additional and improved tacilities for production of slit coil will increase capacity of steel

National accounts situation precludes predictions Coplinated aim to expand turpover and profit



has got precious little office space empty. Heavyweight weight not only by virtue of his position as head of the Halifax The Halifax Building Society is and next chairman of the Buildtwo-year term of office starts



INTERIM STATEMENT

The unaudited Group results for the half year ended 30th September, 1974 were as follows:

	Half year ended 30th Sept. 1974	Half year ended 30th Sept. 1973	Year ended 31st March 1974
Turnover	£'000's 2,088	£'000's 1,755	£'000's 3,500
Profit before taxation	161	135	258
Note)	84	70	142
Profit after taxation	77	65	116
Ordinary dividends	22	18	42
Earnings per ordinary share	3.9p	3.2p	5.8p
NOTE: No adjustments have been mad	ie to take ac	count of any	change in

taxation which may arise as a result o stock valuation relief in the Finance SIII.

The Directors have declared an interim dividend for the current year of 1.096p per share (last year 0.875p per share) on the ordinary shares, exclusive of the associated tax credit. Shareholders will be given the option to take a cash dividend or shares in lieu for the whole or a part of such dividend. An announcement of the details of the option will be posted to chareholders or 23rd layers. shareholders on 23rd January, 1975.

A healthy order book has been maintained since the beginning of the financial year. The policy of increasing the proportion of business from overseas markets is being vigorously followed.

For the second half of the financial year the Directors are looking for a continuation of the present level of high activity to achieve further improvements in profitability.

SANDERSON MURRAY & ELDER

(Topmakers and Combers)

The volume of sales during the year was similar to the previous year but reflected increased values. Apart from the period of 3 day working, machinery activity was maintained at satisfactory levels.

Year ended 30th June	1974	1973 £
Turnover	4,011,000	2,987,000
Profit before Tax	155,152	154,520
taxation £28,000; 1973—£34,000) Profit after Tax	55,923	38,929
Dividends	99,229 59,850	115,591 71,250
per share : Interim Final payable 3 January 1975	1.875p 1.275p	
(1973-paid as interim)	3.15p	3.75p
		

The textile industry here and abroad appears to be moving into a downward cycle of activity. New forward orders are not being placed with confidence, and until the flow of business improves through the industry lower levels of machinery activity are likely to continue. We are reducing stocks commensurate with this situation.

The South African subsidiary has exchanged contracts for the sale of its industrial property in Port Elizabeth. The consideration is R280,000 (approximately £172,000) realising slightly more than the valuation at June 1972 adopted in the subsidiary's accounts. The proceeds will be retained in the subsidiary's business as additional working capital

Extracts from the Chairman's Statement and the Report and

The year has not been an easy one with industry beset

by a variety of problems such as the oil crisis, the

miners' strike and the three-day week. However, in

spite of these frustrations, further substantial progress, much of it achieved by internal expansion of existing

companies, has been achieved. Turnover and profits

are again a record with the pretax profit 85.7% ahead

at £3,630,054. Earnings per share rose from 6.8p to

A final dividend of 10.26356%, coupled with an interim

dividend already paid, makes 20.31356% for the year

which is the maximum permitted. Shareholders will

also be offered the opportunity of receiving shares in

Market conditions were generally buoyant throughout

the year and the demand for the group's products was

Our success, based on high quality service and a wide

range of products, entails carrying heavy stocks. Despite our record profits, funds generated were

insufficient to sustain the business without recourse to

With an increase in profits from 20.25m in 1967 to

£3.63m in 1974 the group has shown considerable

growth and has now emerged as one of the largest

suppliers in the country of a large range of industrial

Demand was at a very high level throughout the year

and the division had the most successful year in its

history with trading profits increasing 107.1%. Despite

the difficulty of obtaining many types of steel, turnover

increased substantially, and represents a considerable

increase in tonnage sales. It is unlikely, however, that

conditions during the current year will be as favourable.

Ferrous scrap and metal processing experienced a

year of booming demand with an explosion of prices.

Review of Divisional Activities

Steel Stockholding & Metal Processing

Accounts for the year to 31 July 1974.

Trading Results

lieu of the final dividend.

at a consistently high level.

extra borrowings.

sphere in the future.

processing

Light engineering

Tubes, fittings &

fabrications

Services

DIVISIONAL RESULTS

Steel stockholding & metal

Asbestos, rubber, plastics &

Drop forgings and castings

FINANCIAL NEWS

Hovercraft fillip helps Westland Aircraft to a best-ever £6.6m

By Ashley Druker

Its helicopter division provid-ing the major advance in the preceding year with nearly two-thirds of profits, this time round the Hovercraft and environmental sector provided the push, though helicopters are still the major contributor at Westland Aircraft.

Pre-tax profit for the 12 months to September 30 put on 20 per cent to a record £6.59m, equipment for aircraft and and this Yeovil-based helicopter, allied products from £792,000 to Hovercraft, aircraft equipment £1.3m.

forecasts a further increase in the current year. The "net", however, dropped from £3.35m to £3.05m after tax up from £2.17m to £3.54m.

Helicopters turned in £3.39m against £4.09m, Hovercraft step-ped up from £517,000 to £1.7m (deriving from completion of some long-term contracts and this may not recur for some years), environmental control

Pressures on UK margins keep Edbro in check

Making very little profit in the last three months of the preceding year, Edbro engineering group finished up 15 per cent higher at £1.6m. For the opening half to September 30 profits come out practically unchanged at £874,000 against £870,000 pre-tax, on turnover up from £5.48m

A major contribution came from an "exceptionally" good result in the European merchan-

ting and trading operation, arising largely from additional agencies in transport equipment which were taken on during the course of the half-year.

For the rest of the year, Mr L. V. D. Tindale, the incoming chairman, finds it difficult to forecast the trend of events, but given a reasonably stable climate, full-time results should show a measure of improvement on last year's record

S Osborn accent on export drive

Having roared ahead in last year's second-half, Samuel Os-born, the Sheffield special steel maker, while not hazarding a prediction on the current year, reports that all companies have good order books. But, with steel a classic cyclical industry, Mr Bernard Cotton, chairman, says there are signs that there may be a drop in demand in the early part of 1975, which could restrict profits. Meanwhile, its drive for export orders has been intensified, aided by the group's firm overseas base.

Elsewhere, he refers to the fact that because of EEC membership, the group was able to raise prices for most of its steel products progressively through last year, and in turn is making good some of the erosion in profit margins brought about in Britain. The chief advantages of remaining within the EEC for the group was not only great opportuni-

The

Central Manufacturing & Trading Group Limited

"Current trading ahead of last year"

reports Norman Hickman, the Chairman.



Mr Bernard Cotton, chairman of Samuel Osborn.

(more than half its tool exports last year went to Europe) but also the fact of operating in an internationally competitive atmosphere.

Within the group, a major benefit of the reshaping of its steel business in recent years has been the improved control was not only great opportuni-ties for extending its sales material and work in progress.

Fixed prices and costs crush Monk earnings

Fixed-price contracts taken about 18 months ago, before the present level of cost increases was envisaged had a disastrous effect on the half-time results of A. Monk, the Cheshire-based civil engineering and building contractors. The shares lost 4p to 20p yesterday.

Out of turnover expanded from £22.4m to £26.6m in the half to Angust 31 pre-tax profits slumped from £616,000 to £157,000, or from £314,000 to £63,000 attributable. But the dividend is up from 1.78p to 1.86p—the same net.

Threshold payments and the rise in the price of steel hit the company particularly hard. Material shortages and protracted deliveries (three-day week) coupled with the "indefensible" application of the productivity deduction to the industry apprayated matters. industry, aggravated matters.

Now the bulk of the fixedprice contracts has been com-pleted and any contract of more than one year is now at a variable price. Previously the figure was two years.

But Mr F. Sullivan, chairman, is concerned at the apparent increasing unwillingness of government and public sector authorities to agree final values and make appropriate payments for work done.

Kettering Mtr agree 83p bid from Goodyear

Holders of a majority of the shares of Kettering Motor Service Group have agreed to a bid price of 83p cash a share from Goodyear Tyre & Rubber (GB). This puts a value on the company of £2.5m.

Holders of almost 56 per cent of the shares have accepted the price which is 15p better than yesterday's closing 68p. In addition Kettering holders are offered a second interim pay-ment of 2.72p making a total of

News of the talks broke in October when holders were advised to retain their shares. A scheme of arrangement has now been agreed under which SPA Factors, a Kettering sub-sidiary, will be bought by Guest Keen & Nettlefolds. Kettering profits for the year to September 29 jumped from £452,000 to an unaudited £650,000.

Business appointments

CompAir has a new

Chairman

Mr Niall Macdiarmid has been made chairman of Compair following the death of Mr J. P. Holman. Mr Macdlarmid, who joined the Compair board in October, 1973, is chairman of Sanderson Kayser, and also a director of Provincial Insurance and of Sketchley.

With the retirement of Mr P. M. Threlfall next March, Sir John Stewart-Clark, managing director of Philips Electrical, will become managing director of Philips Electrical, will become managing director of Philips by Mr A. Poot, who will continue as managing director of Ada (Halfax). It is proposed that Mr Threlfall will join the board of Philips Electronics and Associated Industries.

Mr D. W. Small and Mr P. N. Whitley have been appointed to the board of The Distillers Company. Mr Small is managing director of John Dewar & Sous and Mr Whitley is managing director of John Dewar & Sous and Mr Whitley is managing director of John Dewar & Sous and Mr Whitley is managing director of John Dewar & Sous and Mr Whitley is managing director of John Dewar & Sous and Mr Whitley is managing director of John Dewar & Sous and Mr Whitley is managing director of John Dewar & Sous and Mr Whitley is managing director of John Dewar & Sous and Mr R. C. Wickenden, chief executive of Carreras Rothmans, becomes acting managing director. Mr E. de Jøegere, of Tabacofina SA Belgium, has been made a director in succession to Mr E. G. Wouters.

Mr John Amour has become financial director of Lloyds and Scottish Finance.

Mr J. W. Shield joins the board of Joseph Lucas (Industries).

Mr Denis Coakley has been made a director of Silvermines.

Sir Geoffrey C. Gibbs and Mr R. H. Senior are to retire from the board of Australia and New Zealand Banking Group.

Mr Charles Bell has been made president and Chief executive of Viking Offshore Pipelines group.

Mr E. G. Barnard becomes vice president and manager of the Viking Offshore Pipelines group.
Mr E. G. Barnard becomes vice
president and manager of the finance division,

Mr John Sidwell becomes chair-

elected to the board of Buchan Meat Producers and appointed managing director.

Dr E. M. Hunt has been appointed chairman of Armour Hess Chemicals.

Mr Bruce Learning has become an associate director of London metal brokers, Rudolf Wolff.

Mr J. P. Brown has been made overseas director of Revertex

overseas director of Reverter Holdings.

Mr F. R. Earle has been appointed managing director of Hardow Chemical in succession to Mr D. D. Litoun who has resigned through ill health, Mr Litoun will continue as a member of the board.

Mr David Page is to join Poster Turner and Benson as head of financial advertising. Mr Colin Barry becomes account director of the recruitment division.

Mr Michael Haines, a partner in Thomson McLintock, is joining the Department of Industry on a two year secondment as a deputy director of the Industrial Development Unit.

Stock markets

Firmer tone continues in equities

the pound on the foreign centres · helped London's stock markets yesterday. Gilts were much quieter, but equities managed to extend their recent improvements by a few pence. Turnover in the share market remained very thin, however. Recorded bargains totalled only 4,908, which is well below the level of a viable market ".

The major news from the equity market came in the form of year-end results from BLMC, Britain major motor manufacturer. The outcome for the year was not far away from market predictions and the shares were content to ease by 64p. The answer for which the market—and industry—is wait-ing will come when Mr Benn addresses the House of Com-mons on the future of BLMC.

Other heavy engineers moved cautiously following the results from BLMC. GKN closed unchanged at 106p. Tubes added 4p to 129p, GEC 2p to 54p, and Plessey 2p to 42p.

Among the internationals the

Among the internationals, the fresh improvement in sterling brought a steadier tone—if not any great increase in buying pressure. ICI (125p), Beecham (120p), and Courtailds (58p), all moved up. Unilever (17p) and Dunlop Holdings (24p) remained at overnight levels.

Gold shares again found sup-porters, in the wake of the accord between the United States and France on upvaluing official reserves. But turnover on this pitch was smaller yesterday. Gains in President Brand (526), FS Geduld (526) and President Steyn (519) remained within the \$1 range. Oil shares, too, had a quieter

AKZO and Philips' drug merger off

The plan of AKZO, the Dutch chemical and artificial fibre group, and Philips Lamps to combine their pharmaceutical divisions, first announced in June, has been called off after six months of talks, Had it come about the new giant would have been a combination of AKZO Pharma and Philips Duphar with 75 per cent owned by AKZO.

Turnover was expected to be in excess of £600m with 12,000 employees. Activities taken in would have been research, development, manufacturing, sales and service. The reason given for shelving

the plan is that the boards dis-agree about the likelihood of achieving a properly-integrated AKZO said the boards of the

two companies intend to investigate whether it is possible to achieve another form of coopera-

Du Pont expects earnings drop

G. L Du Pont de Nemours expects lower earnings in 1974 despite at least a 15 per cent increase in sales, Mr Irving Shapiro, chairman, said in San Francisco. In 1973, it earned \$12.04 a share on sales of 5,275.6m.

For the nine months, Du Pont's net profit declined to \$7.53 a share from \$9.11 a year before. Mr Shapiro said the lower profit would result from higher costs for raw materials and energy, supply shortages, and an accident at its methanol plant in Beaumont, Texas.-Renter.

The continued strength of session BP (216p) and Burmah he pound on the foreign Oil (106p) added a few pence but turnover was thin.

On the building pitch, dis-closure that Slater Walker Se-curities has sold its stake in R. Costain went some way to explaining this week's rise in contracting shares. Shares in Costain closed 5p up at 85p, while Slater Walker Securities helped also by confirmation of a Business News report of a substantial re-purchase of out-standing loan stock—closed 1p up at 35p. But the building share pitch also saw shares in

interim profits.

Consumer shares had a quieter session. A dull spot was Cavenham, whose shares dipped to 45p following the first-half profits statement. Major stores backing for the Crown A managed to edge forward by a tended to weaken confic

A. Monk fall sharply on lower

Banks, financials and prities had a quiet session failed to move beyond overnight levels.

Equity turnover on Deci 17, £35.1m (10,206 barg Active stocks yesterday a ing to Exchange Telegraph Cons. Goldfields, Bats,

Union Corp. Boots, Gus Cadburys, Commercial I IC Gas, and BP. Covernment bonds tend drift lower in quiet tradin terday, surrendering son the gains made in recen sions. Long-dated stocks (with losses on the day of point, while short-dated finished a 1 to 5/16 point 1 1 The news of Govern

backing for the Crown A

Latest dividends

All dividends in new pence or Company (and par values) Assoc Dairies (25p) Int Baggeridge Brick (25p) Brit Leyland (25p) Fin Cavenham (25p) Int Charterhouse Gp (25p) Fin Doranakande (10p) Int Edbro (Hldgs) (25p) Int Elec & Gen (25p) Int	Ord div 1.5 2.67 NII 2 3.25 0.24 2.23 0.67	Year ago 1.13† 2.36 1.38 1.75 3.08 0.25 1.96 0.82	Pay date 28/2 — 11/3 — 31/1 30/12 3/2	Year's total 2.67 0.74 4.55	Pre 19 23 1.0 5.2 4.3 1.4 1.4
Guthrie Corp (El) Int Halcyon Inv (10p) Int	9 0.75	6 0.75	2/4 20/2	_	19. 2.7
Haima (10p) Int Kaduna (10p) Int	0.84 1.98	0.62 0.65	17/2 3/4	1.59*	1.4
A. Monk (25p) Int Stanhope Gen (25p) Int	1.86 1.2	1.78	31/1 24/1	=	5.74 3.14
Sutcliffe, Spkmn (25p) Int Trafford Carpets (25p) Int	1.63 Nil	1.25 1.7		=	3.0
Vectis Stone (10p)	1.01 2.22	0.96 1.90	27/2 —	1.68 3.54	1,6
	1.22	1.22†	8/2	-	3.3

Record Sales and Profits for Fifth Successive Year

Year to 31st July	1974	1973	1972
	£000's	e 0003	£000's
Sales	4,293	3,586	2,847
Profit before tax	703	581	456
Profit after tax	334	311	274
Earnings per share	4.425p	4.104p	3.619p
Dividend per share		-	
including Tax Credit	1.470p	1.400p	1.343p
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The diversification and strength of your Company makes it well equipped to face the problems which lie ahead.

Anthony J. Wade (Chairman) WADE POTTERIES LIMITED · STOKE-ON-TRENT

S. CASKET (HOLDINGS) LTD. (Clothing Manufacturers, Distributors and Retailers) SUMMARY OF RESULTS 6,138,99 834,08 702,07 68,92 Sales (Net) 6,661,781 Trading Profit
Net Profit before Tax 970,840 805,802 Dividends—Ner Earnings per Share 9.30p

Addressing the Annual General Meeting in Manchester the Chairman, Mr. Philip Casket, made the following points:-

Net Profit before Tax up by

Record for the 12th successive year Company now operates 64 retail shops





WOLSELEY-HUGHES LTD.

P.O. BOX 18, DROITWICH, WORCESTERSHIRE WR9 8ND.

Extracts from the Report and Accounts for the year ended 31st July 1974.

The year started with high hopes and prospects of beating last year's record profits, but, in the event, the economic consequences of last October's Middle Eastern war detrimentally affected our business in several important respects.

With so much uncertainty surrounding the general economic situation and the building and central heating industries, in which we are especially interested, it is increasingly difficult to predict, with any certainty, the levels of trading we shall achieve in the current

The group enjoys excellent relation ships with its bankers, going back over very many years, and credit facilities have been arranged to provide workir: capital for the continued development the business in the future. Great care being exercised over capital expenditubut, certain important projects, mair to increase export potential, proceeding.

Exports have increased by 29.3% a 3 during the year 24.7% of the grou manufactured products were exporte

Comparative figures to 31st July	1970 £'000's	1971 £'000's	1972 £'000's	1973 £'000's	197 £'801~
Sales	21,060	27,167	33,853	48,422	56,2
Group profit before taxation	1,434	2,190	2,749	4,325	3,2
Taxation	579	847	1,106	1,898	1.7
Dividends, gross per share	4.27p	4.87p	5.50p	5.78p	6.1
Times dividend covered -	2.72	3.03	3.36	5.03	3.!

Wolseley-Hughes is the largest distributor of cere heating equipment in the British Isles and manufact market leading products of advanced design in the oil gas combustion, horticultural and agricultural equipn wheel and magnetic engineering industries.

Mr John Sidwell becomes chairman and Mr Maurice Hynett chief executive of Market Location.

Mr B. Ewing has been appointed a director of Baron Self Copy.

Mr T. R. Chesterfield is to become the new chairman of BCA following the retirement of Mr M. S. W. Gorringe.

Mr Christopher Sheridan has joined the board of Samuel Montague.

tague.
Mr Simon Webber has been made director, finance and administra-tion, of the British Steel Corpora-tion's special steels division.

Mr Edward Redmond has been

Asbestos, Rubber, Plastics and Services

This division experienced buoyant demand, once again constrained by a shortage of vital materials. The order books are at a high level and prospects are sound. We have been appointed Fiat main dealer for their range of commercial vehicles in the industrial West of Scotland.

Light Engineering

Both sales of the division - up 29.6% - and profits up 54.3% - show considerable improvement. The current order book is strong and the recruitment of skilled labour and material shortages are the main limiting factors.

Tubes, Fittings and Fabrications

Despite the shortages of certain types of steel tube and the problems of the three day week, output was maintained at a satisfactory level and the divisional results were highly satisfactory. Current trading is very buoyant and there is every prospect of continued expansion.

Drop Forgings and Castings

The year showed a good recovery in profitability but does not yet represent a fair return in relation to capital employed. Orders on hand are the highest ever reached and the growth potential can only be limited by material and labour shortages.

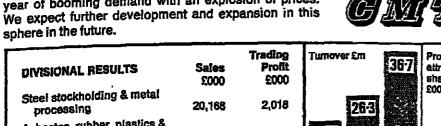
Prospects

Current trading is at a higher level than the same period last year, but there are so many uncertainties in the economic and political environment that it would be unwise, indeed almost impossible, to make any firm prediction about the current year. However, I believe we are better placed than most to overcome any difficulties and there is little doubt your company will realise better than average growth in sales and eamings.

Copies of the Report and Accounts are obtainable from the Secretary,

303 Halesowen Road, Netherton,

Dudley, West Midlands DY2 9NR.



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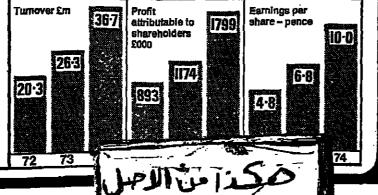
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Inditions continue difficult to September 30. The dividend is passed (1.7p).

The province's political troubles led to lost working time and heavy stock losses. Also, a provision had to be made for a substantial bad debt in the

receding 12 months.

m sales increased from m to £3.96m profits before were £445,000 against 000. Earnings came up 3.9p to 4.22p; the division held at 1.22p.

F. Crosland, chairman, that while the value of in hand remains high, is slowing down

e is slowing down reciably", notably from Juited States, where acti-s declining. buthnot Investment, a sub-ry of Arbuthnot Latham, has 638,000 shares (11.85

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2222,000 to £74,000 in the nd half to give a taxable t for the year to Septem-30 to £177,000, against last 5 record £370,000. is is in spite of a doubling roup sales to £4.9m, and

cts a slump in margins 15.2 per cent to 3.6 per Shareholders will receive ayment of 1.68p, against gross (maintained at 1.12p and the board is planning fer a dividend-scrip option. details of this will be

estion falters

xable profits of Celestion makers of sound duction equipment and dation garments, declined he half to September 30 £225,000 to £150,000, the second half looks iter. Turnover in the half from £2.98m to £3.36m.

Afford Carpets loss

ith its pile spinning subsi-in Northern Ireland hav-

The province's political troubles led to lost working time and heavy stock losses. Also, a provision had to be made for a substantial bad debt in the export field export field.

Ulster apart, the kraft products division had a satisfactory half year and TC operated at a

Interim slide at Fraser Ansbacher

After servicing the loan for the group's interest in C. E. Heath & Co, the insurance brokers and underwriters, pretax profits of Fraser Ansbacher are down from £729,000 to £240,000 for the half year.

f240,000 for the half year.

Mr Maxwell Joseph, chairman of this merchant and investment banking group, says that the group's policy of maintaining liquidity and preserving assets has been a success and there is considerable strength in terms of current and future trading. However, this conservative policy has had its effect on profitability.

The group is expected to trade profitably for the rest of the year. A dividend similar to last year's 1p gross is forecast.

Meanwhile, attributable earnings for the half are down from £382,000 to £107,000. There is no consolidation of profits of C. E. Heath.

FPE turn-round

Reporting an interim turn-round from a loss of £75,000 to a pre-tax profit of £27,000 FPE Group say the high cost of bank borrowing and continuing reorganization may produce only a minimal overall profit. Last time there was a loss of £292,000.

Mr Nassar opposed

The formal offer by Mr Edward Nassar for the 60 per cent of the shares of Harry Vincent, Worcestershire confeca "disastrous time" tionery group, he does not ford Carpets turned in a already own has been sent to shareholders. Mr Nassar is a 68,500, for the six months director of the the company.

Wall Street

w York, Dec 18.—Shrugging preponderance of bad econo-iews, the New York stock mar-

impressive performance and closed higher in fairly active trading. The Dow Jones industrial aver-age ended up 5.95 points to 603.49, closing over the 600 level for the first time since December 2 when it finished at 603.02.

Gainers outran losers by about 785 to 610. Volume quickened to 18,050,000 shares from 16,880,000

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silver closes 13.8 cents up

are not recommending the offer and have agreed not to accept for their personal holdings.

Sutcliffe, Speakman

With a healthy order book With a healthy order book maintained since the start of the year profits of Sutcliffe, Speakman rose 19 per cent to £161,000 pre-tax in the six months to September 30. The dividend is raised from 1.25p to 1.63p. The board expects a further improvement in the research helf. second half.

Bond Worth gains Moderna control

Mountain Securities already out of the running for Moderna (Witney) by its statement earlier in the day that following discus-sions it had decided not to go further with its 64p cash a share for the ordinary only, Bond Worth Holdings, whose agreed offer closed yesterday, an-nounced acceptances for 55.7 per cent of the ordinary and 72.5 per cent of the preference. The offers have now been

declared unconditional as to acceptances, and the closing dates extended to January 8. Carrs Milling jolted

Carlisle-based Carrs Milling Industries reports a big drop in pre-tax profits for the year ended August 31, at £108,000, compared to £492,000. The compared to £492,000 and pany which mills flour and manufactures animal feedstuffs, blames inflation and inability to increase prices. The year was described as "by far the most difficult" in recent years.

Issues & Loans

ECGD ship financing

The Export Credits Guarantee Department has guaranteed two separate loans totalling £5.6m which Williams and Glyn's Bank have made available to help finance the purchase of two B26 bulk carriers.

The vessels are being built by Austin and Pickersgill of Sunderland for Leon Corpora-tion of Monrovia and Righteous Navigation Incorporated, Liberia and are scheduled for delivery late next year and early in 1976 respectively.

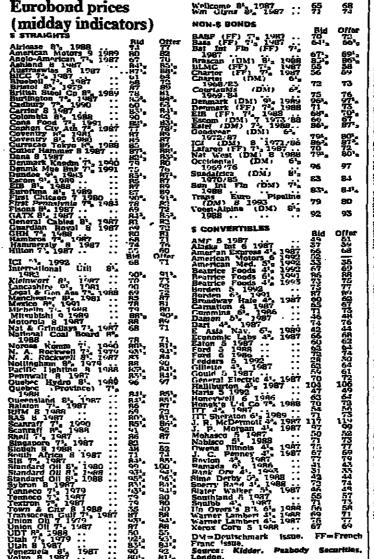
Brazilian funding: An all-Arab underwriting syndidate led by Arab Finance Corpora-tion has completed a simul-taneous fixed and floating-rate bond offering of the Brazilian government.

The fixed-rate bonds totalling \$20m were offered at 98.5 carrying a 10½ per cent coupon to yield 11.01 per cent at maturity in 1984. Concurrently \$5m of 10-year, floating-rate bonds were offered at par. The floating-rate bonds bear semi-annual interest at 1.5 per cent above interest at 1.5 per cent above London interbank rates for the first five years and 15 per cent above for the remaining five

It was the first public dollar bond offering underwritten by an exclusively Arab syndicate.

Turnover for half year is up from £1.7m to £2.9m, and taxable profits from £101,000 to £153,000. Interim is up from 0.62p to 0.84p, and total of 1.59p (1.4p) plus record results predicted.

Eurobond prices





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Home-Grown Cereal Authority's location ex-farm shot prices.—Soft mility WHEAT.—Barbury 255.20.—Feeding BARLEY.—Barbury 255.80; Chichesis 260.35; Ormskirk 260.35.

QUICKSILVER to now quoted at \$150-\$160 a flask of 76 lb.

Issued at the request of Gold Fields of South Africa Limited and Union Corporation Limited by Hill Samuel & Co. Limited, Hambros Bank Limited and Barclays National Merchant Bank Limited

TO THE SHAREHOLDERS OF UNION CORPORATION LIMITED

RECOMMENDED OFFER

BY



GOLD FIELDS OF SOUTH AFRICA LIMITED

(Incorporated in the Republic of South Africa)

UNION CORPORATION LIMITED

(Incorporated in the Republic of South Africa)

The Boards of GFSA and Unicorp announce that the Offer Document incorporating GFSA's Recommended Offer has been posted to registered shareholders of Unicorp.

THE IMPROVED OFFER IS:-

For every 100 Ordinary Shares in Unicorp

6 New GFSA Ordinary Shares

7 New GFSA Convertible **Preference Shares**

R120 IN CASH

RIGHTS OF ELECTION You may elect to receive

ADDITIONAL CASH INSTEAD OF GFSA ORDINARY SHARES

ADDITIONAL GFSA ORDINARY SHARES INSTEAD OF CASH

Subject to availability and on the bases stated in the Offer Document:-

THE CASH ELECTION SHOULD BE VALUABLE TO UNICORP'S UNITED KINGDOM AND OTHER SHAREHOLDERS NOT RESIDENT IN SOUTH AFRICA

who may elect to receive ADDITIONAL CASH TO THE VALUE OF £203 INSTEAD OF GFSA ORDINARY SHARES WORTH £160 For every 100 Unicorp shares

THE SHARE ELECTION SHOULD BE VALUABLE TO UNICORP SHAREHOLDERS RESIDENT IN SOUTH AFRICA

who may elect to receive ADDITIONAL GFSA ORDINARY SHARES WORTH R141 INSTEAD OF CASH TO THE VALUE OF R120

For every 100 Unicorp shares

TO SECURE THE RIGHTS OF ELECTION YOU MUST ACCEPT THE OFFER NOT LATER THAN 10th JANUARY, 1975.

THE BOARD OF UNICORP AND THEIR ADVISERS UNANIMOUSLY RECOMMEND UNICORP SHAREHOLDERS TO ACCEPT.

JOHANNESBURG 18th DECEMBER, 1974

Copies of the Offer Document and Forms of Acceptance may be obtained from:-

Gold Fields of South Africa Limited,

49, Moorgate, LONDON EC2R 68Q.

Union Corporation Limited, Princes House, 95. Gresham Street LONDON EC2V7BS.

Lloyds Bank Limited, Registrar's Department, The Causeway, Goring-by-Sea, Worthing, West Sussex BN126DA.

FINANCIAL NEWS AND MARKET REPORTS

Mining

General Mining's 'no' to Gold Fields

General Mining has again rejected the improved bid from Gold Fields of South Africa for Union Corporation and states that the formal documents do not meet the many valid objections raised by the Unicorp board to the previous GFSA

It believes that Unicorp shares are worth substantially more than what is offered—the bid was equivalent to about 525p last night—and would not be accepting in respect of its

own holding which, with asso- ties within six months, otherwise ciates, is about 28 per cent. Full details of the reasons the operation of the dollar sur-for the rejection will be sent out render rule would reduce this for the rejection will be sent out render rule would reduce this tering a fair amount of "calling" shortly to Unicorp shareholders. cash advantage to about £185. by the banks.

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United Kingdom and South tional GFSA shares worth R141 African residents the optimum would be exchanged. return possible on the terms. Shareholders can elect by January 10 to receive either extra cash in place of shares which is of particular benefit to non-South African residents, or shares replacing the cash element in the offer which should be to the advantage of South Africans.

The value of GFSA ordinary shares will be calculated as the average of the cash round-lot prices for the five trading days preceding January 9, less 15 per cent. For non-South African residents, thanks to the blocked rand discount, and on the basis of prices ruling on December 13, for every 100 Unicorp, instead of £160 of

for United Kingdom residents

GFSA has, as is already known, arranged facilities with the Standard and Chartered

Banking Group amounting to \$75m, repayable by the end of 1979. Thanks again to the blocked rand discount of about 30 per cent, GFSA will have to raise around R75m, largely through the cale of portfolio in through the sale of portfolio investments.

Discount market

Credit conditions in Lombard Street became very patchy yester-day, and rates fluctuated through-out in reflection of the thin state of the market. The day was meant to be "flat", but in the event, the Bank of England was required to assist the market in a small way, £203 would be paid.

But it must be pointed out that this infers that the money is reinvested in foreign securities within six months otherwise.

cent for secured loans at the outset, but were paying 10 or 104 per
cent at mid-session after encountering a fair amount of "calling"
by the banks.

Final balances were usually

Foreign Exchange

The dollar was mostly firmer against European currencies yesterday, although it was easier against sterling. The dollar's initial rally was based chiefly on a technical reaction to its recent sharp fall and on a rise in Zurich of swap operations by the Swiss National Bank.

Its advance accelerated following unconfirmed reports that the French, Swiss, German central banks and Federal Reserve Board had intervened to support the dollar, but eased back later on news of the wider United States balance of payments deficit.

Sterling rose 75 points against the dollar to \$2,3420 while its effection. tive depreciation rate against major currencies dropped to 21.1 per cent compared with 21.6 per cent on Tuesday. Gold declined \$2.50 to \$186.50.

Hongkong commodity exchange move

Economic Intelligence Department, has been appointed by General Management (HK) Ltd to draw up a set of rules and regulations for a commodity exchange in Hongkong.

When formed he will become president of the exchange. Soya bean meal futures

market for London It is hoped that a London soya bean futures market will be opened early next year, Mr L. Pullen, the president of the Grain & Feed Trade Association (Gafta), says in his report for the year ended September 30. Delivery points will be in Autwerp, Rotter-dam/Amsterdam, Hamburg, and London London.
The market will be run by a

separate association known as the Gaita Soya Bean Meal Futures Association. The trading ring will be in the Corn Exchange.

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Mr Pullen reports that turnover in the London Grain Futures
Market continued to grow. Registrations rose from 31,352 to 46,324
for wheat and from 29,982 to
48,500 for barley.

The tomage of physical grain
tendered against Gafta contracts
jumped from 110,000 to 177,700
tons for wheat and from 96,700 to
203,700 tons for barley.

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Notice in hereby given that but the matter of WESTON FOODS Limited No 003018 of 1974 and in the matter of The Companies Act 1948

Notice is hereby given that by Orders dated the 11th December 1974 made in the above matters the Court has directed separate Meetings of the holders of the respective classes of Shared of the above-matters the Court has directed separate wherefor are set forth in the Schedule bertot to be convened for the above-named Companies particulars wherefor its expressing and if thought fit expressing and if thought fit expressing furth or without modification; a SCHEME of ARRANGEMENT proposed to be made between the said Companies and the holders of their said companies and the holders of their said respective classes of Shares mentioned in the said Schedule and that such Meetings will be half at Rogentive classes of Shares mentioned in the said Schedule and the said section of the said Schedule for so soon thereafter as the preceding meeting shall have been concluded, at which piece and respective times all the aforestid Shareholders are requested in the Said Meetings can obtain copies of the Satement required to be furnished pursuant to Section 207 of the said meeting and at the office of the said companies of proxy and copies of the Statement required in be furnished pursuant to Section 207 of the said meeting and at the office of the said shareholders are requested to the said companies of the said shareholders are said meeting. Saturate of the said meetings study of the said shareholders are the weston Centre. 40 Berkeley Square, London, W.1. 17 Camden Road, Camden London, W.1. 17 Camden Road, affersaid not they are entitled to attend. It is requested that forms appoint another person at such of the said Meetings. The said shareholders are the longed with the Registrar, of the Companies at 17 Camden Road, aforesaid not less than 18 hours before the immediated to the

in the case of joint holders the vare of the senior who tenders a role whether in person or by proxy will be accepted to the exclusion of the totes of the other joint holders. And for this purpose seniority will be determined by the order in which the names stand in the respective Registers of Members.

By the said Order the Court spective Registers of Members.

By the said Order the Court has appointed the persons whose lames are set out in the fourth column of the said Schedule to act as Chairman of each of the said Meetings set opposite their respective names in the said Schedule and has directed the Chairman to report the results thereof to the Court.

The said Scheme of Arrangement will be subject to the subsequent approval of the Court.

Dated this 16th day of December 1974. A. KRAMER & CO., of 40 Portland Place. London. WIN 4BA. Solicitors for the above-named com-pamies.

IN the MATTER of the GOMPANIES ACTS. 1948 to 1967 and in the Matter of LAYKINS BUILDERS Limited (in Volumlary Liquidation). Notice is hereby given pursuant to Section 299 of the Companies Act. 1948, that a GENERAL MEETING of the MEMBERS of the abovenamed Company will be held at the Offices of W. H. Cork. Guily & Co... Chartered Accountants of 19 Sectioness. London, ECSM 1DA, on the Act of the Companies of the CREDITORS for the purpose of receiving an account of the London to the London's Acts and Dealings and of the conduct of the Winding-Up to date.

Dated this 11th day of December. 1974. R. W. CORK. Liquidator.

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IN the MATTER of the COMPANIES ACT. 1938 and in the Matter of THE FARMERS AND GRAZIERS CATERING BUTCHERS Limited In Liquidation. CATERING BUTCHERS Limited III Liquidation:
Notice is hereby given pursuant to Section 299 of the Companies of the Wall of the Wall of Companies of the Wall of the Wal

No. 002196 of 1974 In the HIGH COURT of JUSTICE In the HIGH COURT of JUSTICE Chancery Division. Re: ALEXANDER SHIPPING COMPANY Limited and re: The Companies Act 1948.

Notice is hereby civen that the ORDER of the High Court of Justice (Chancery Division) dated the 2nd day of December 1974 inlar alia) CONFIRMING the REDUCTION of the CAPITAL of the above-named Company from £1,620,000 to £1,050,552 and the Minute approved by the Court showing with respect to the capital as altered the several Particulars required by the Registrar of Company from £1,050,000 to \$1,050,000 to \$1,05 Dated the 6th day of December. 1974. LINKLATERS & PAINES, Soli-citors to the Company.

In the Matter of The Companies Act, 1948 and In the Matter of CHASE HYDRAULICS Limited (in Liquidation)

Notice is hereby given pursuant to Socion 299 of the Companies Act, 1948 that a GENERAL MEET-ING of the MEMBERS of the abovenamed Company will be held at Room 438 iscomf floor) Salisbury House, Loudon Wall, E.C.2, in the City of London on Tuesday the 14th day of January, 1978, at 11 s.m. to be followed at 11.15 s.m. of the Company of R, E. FLOYD. Liquidator.

THE COMPANIES ACT. 1948 in the Matter of W. L. JACKSON & COMPANY United. Nature of Business: Agents & Jactors for the supering Stones. Proving Stones of The Matter of The Stones of The . A. WILLIAMS, Official Receiver and Provisional Liquidator,

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CONTRIBUTORIES on the Same day and at the same place at 12.20 o'clock.

D. A. WILLIAMS. Official Receiver and Provisional Liquidator.

THE COMPANIES ACT, 1948 in the Maker of ISRAEL-BRITISH BANK (LONDON) Limited Nature of Business: Bankers WINDING-UP ORDER MADE 2nd December 1974 ORDER MADE 2nd DATE AND PLACE OF FIRST MEETINGS:
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o'clock A. T. CHEEK. Sentor Official Receiver and Provisional Liquidator.

THE COMPANIES ACT, 1948 In the maiter of MERON PROPERTIES Limited Nature of Business: Desired In property.
WINDING-UP ORDER MADE 11th November 1974.
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CREDITORS 3rd Junuary 1975, at Room G20 Atlantic House, Rottorn Visduct. London EC1N 3riD at 11.20 o'clock.
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D. A. WILLIAMS. Official Receiver and Provisional Liquidator.

Petitioner.

NOTE: Any person who intends to appear on the hearing of the said Petition must serve on or send by post to the above-named notice in writing of his intention so to do. The notice must state the name and address of the person, or, if a firm, the name and address of the firm, and must be stoned by the person or firm, or his or their solicitor (if any) and must be sent by post in sufficient time to reach the above-named not later than 4 o'clock in the afternoon of 17th day of January, 1975.

No. COSCOS of 1974.

IN The HIGH COURT of JUSTICE Chemosty Division Companies Court in the states of the Court of Justice Chemosty Division Companies Court in the states of the Companies Act. 1948.

Notice is hereby given, that a PETITION for the WINDING UP of the above-named Company by the High Court of Justice was on the 18th day of December 1974 presented to the said Court by EURO CEILINGS LIWITED whose registered of the Strate of Justice, Strand, London, with Petition is Siret to be heard before the Court sitting at the Royal Courts of Justice, Strand, London, WCZA 21L on the 20th day of January 1978, and any creditor or contributory of the said Company desirous to support or oppose the patition may appear at the time of self for that propose; and a compute the Petition will be furnished by the melerismed to any creditor or contributory of the said Company requiring such copy on payment of the regulated charge for the same.

JUDGE & PRIESTLEY, 42/48
East Street, Brumley, Kent.
NOTE.—Any person who intends to appear on the court of the petitioner.

Re: ITALIA NEL MONDO Limited (In Voluntary Liquidation) and The Companies Act. 1948.

Notice is hereby siven that the CREDITORS of the above named Company are required on or before Friday, 17th January, 1975 to send their names and addresses and particulars of their debts or claims to the undersigned Bernard Phillips. F.C.A. at 76 New Cavendish Street. London, W.1. the Liquidator of the said Company and it so required by notice in writing from the said Liquidator are to come in and prove their said debts or claims at such their said debts or claims at such their said self-their said BERNARD PHILLIPS, Chartered Accountant.

in the Matter of the Companies Acts. 1948 to 1967 and in the Matter of HEATING & GENERAL, ENGINEERING COMPANY (CALFORD) Limited in liquidation). Notice is hereby given pursuant to Section 299 of the Companies Act, 1948, that a GENERAL MEETING of the MEMBERS of the abovenance Company will be held at the Offices of W. H. Cork, Gully & Co., Chartered Accountants of 19 Eastcheap, London, ECSM 1DA on Wednesday the 29th day of January, 1975 at 11.46 a.m. to be followed at 12 hoon by a GENERAL MEETING of the CREDITORS for the purpose of receiving an account of the Liquidator's Acts and Deslings and the conduct of the Winding-Up to the Companies of the University Date in Liquidator.

M. A. JORDAN, Liquidator. M. A. JORDAN, Liquidator.

In the HIGH COURT of JUSTICE Chancery Division. Re: HOULDER LINE, Limited and re: The Com-panies Act 1948. notice is hereby given that the Notice is hereby given that the ORDER of the High Court of Justice (Chancery Division) dated the 2nd day of December 1974 (nutralia) CONFIRMING the REDUCTION of the CAPITAL of the abovenamed Company from \$1.725,000 for the Court showing with respect to the court showing with the sovered Parison of the court showing with the shower of the court showing the results on the 6th day of December 1974.

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THE COMPANIES ACT, 1948 in the Matter of WOLA ENGINEERING CO. Limited No. 00110 of 1971 Notice is hereby given that a FIRST and FINAL DIVIDEND to CREDITORS is intended to be DECLARED in the above-named Company and that Creditors who have not directly proved their claims on or before the and January, 1976 after which date the Official Receiver and Liquidator of the above-named Company will proceed to distribute the assets of the said Company having regard only to such Creditors as shall then have proved their claims.

A CHEEK. Senior Official Receiver and Liquidator. Atlante. House, Molborn Visituct, London, ECIN 2HD.

THE COMPANIES ACT. 1948 In the Matter of JACOBS. LEVINE & MEREDITH Limited Nature of Business: Designs in property.

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D. A. WILLIAMS, Official Receiver and Provisional Liquidator.

THE COMPANIES ACT. 1948 In the matter of DAPACT MOTOR COMPANY Limited. Nature of Business: To acquire and operate gurages and service stations. WINDING-UP ORDER MADE 18th November 1974.

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LEGAL NOTICES No. 003092 of 1974 the HIGH COURT of Jus To Division Companies
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No. 002194 of 1974 In the HIGH COURT of JU Chancery Division Re: HOU BROTHERS & CO. Limite Re: The Companies Act 1948. Re: The Companies Act 1948.

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First Class Finance Houses Mkt. Rate(c) 8 months 124 6 months 144 Finance House Base Rate $12^{\circ}\sigma$ **Spot Position** of Sterling

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Krugerrand (per color) \$219-224 (1934-95%; Soverellus) (old), \$622-64 (1267-77%); (new.) \$852-67%; (126-28%).

The Times Share Indices

The Times Share Indices for 18.12.74 (base date June 2, 1964 original base date June 2, 1965 r... Latest " The Times Industrial Share Industrial Industri 68,23 13.55 — · 67.03 Commodityshares 148.19 12.69 26.29 145.89

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- Flat interest yield. Eurosyndicat

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* Members of Accepting Houses
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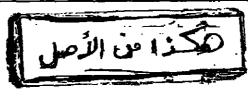
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DA. WILLIAMS, Official Relevier and Provisional Liquidator.



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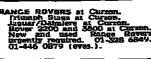
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romantic meetings (6).

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18 Electro-magnetic device converts one back into solid (5).

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scare many (6).

21 Edward's back—so unpunctual—so sad (8).

23 Hastings' Rabbits' home (6).

24 Hastings' Rabbits' found by

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1 Copper pipe (5, 7).

9 Like prophets of the Chan-nel Islands in this time (9).

10 One's right to be troubled by a blow in the face (5).

11 Try the way south for

19 Sound that may possibly

26 Old English letter found by Rose (5).
27 Turkish leader in Greece,

place? (5, 2, 5).

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unusually vigorous (9). Another "uncommon"

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2 Wanting to be like Can-ning's knife-grinder (5). 3 One liable to be upset by a careless jibe, say? (9).

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sake (4). 5 When Mrs Grundy was widowed (8).

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6 It used to unhorse many in

8 Oliver's testing moment in

not what it seems (8).

14 The Italian beast devours us

22 Fish round for some tongue

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16 St Michael's Port (9).

7 Hook-like letter? (8).

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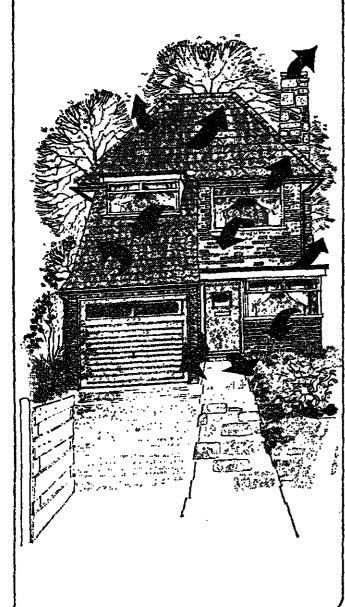
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The problem

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To take an extreme example, in a house with no insulation and only basic controls the heat loss could be as much as 50%! But even where insulation is present it is often inadequate for the job it has to do treally effective insulation is a whole new science in itself) and controls confined to a simple time clock and thermostat are not flexible enough to provide heat exactly when and where it's needed, for maximum comfort and efficiency.



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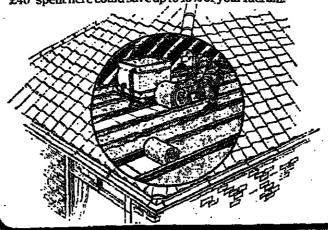
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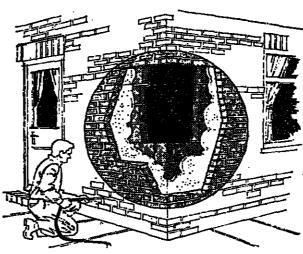
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At the other end of the scale, Indians consumed only 204kg and the average of all African countries was 348kg a head. Averaged throughout all countries, the world per capita consumption was 2,130kg.

Of course, there are exceptions. Unfortunately Britain, which has a lower level of economic activity than either Germany or Japan, has a per capita consumption of 5,103kg, an example of a country living above its means.

Soaring demand for energy.

However, as Mr Irwin M. Stelzer and Mr Perl world Energy Conference that to strike a use-freence in Detroit in Sep-tember, the relationship between population and reflecting a higher order of accuracy and reliability than are now available.

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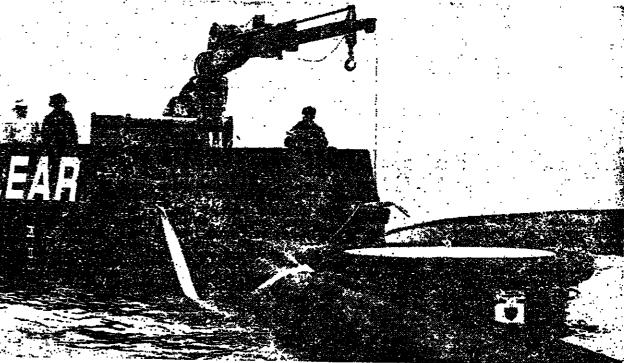
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How to stop money going up in smoke

by Edward Townsend

have been appalling. A recent survey showed that ust by raising the whole of more efficient firms, a saving of between £350m and £450m a year could be achieved. Another estimate is that per cent cut in energy con-sumption without loss of

output by improving plant efficiency, better use of controls and recovery of waste heat. At today's prices this could mean a saving on the nation's bill of £600m a year. And the National Industrial Fuel Efficiency Service, which compiled the first set of figures, made the position worse by claiming that this could be attained not by carrying out expensive tech-nologically advanced conservarion schemes, but "by

techniques and practices which are financially viable even at today's energy costs".
Further savings could be achieved by a reduction in the frequency of replacing plant, less maintenance and labour costs, improvements to production and reduced pollution.

current known and proved

The chief stumbling block, however, is that produc-tion processes invariably tion processes invariably claim priority when it comes to investing its capital. On average in Britain, the cost of energy is still only about 8 per cent of the production cost, and the incentive to rve is correspondingly

Energy experts now say, in better use of energy gives 200 reheating furnaces, oil a return often higher than and gas fired, in the Midthat on capital and that it lands and concluded that an can be repaid in the year it overall saving of 20 per cent is made. Improved operational pro-cedures, better insulation of

factories and machines, recycling of heat from proces-ses, lights and even people, some dividends. Even a leaking steam

factory has more than a few, can help energy consumption to mount. It is reckoned that many factories are losing steam at the rate of 1,000 lb an hour solely because of

And it seems from various investigations that industrial steam raising in many British factories is still run with about the same effici-ency as it was in the last century. Fitting automatic dampers and auxiliary pressure switches can do a lot to conserve fuel and are particularly necessary now that steam, as NIFES says, "really is too expensive to blow to water blow to waste The energy savings that are judged to be obtainable

British industry is losing hundreds of millions of pounds of potential profits every year—all of it going up in smoke or simply leaking away from inefficient machines and draughty factories.

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Targets for assessing the performance of production the facilities should be set by them cases continuous monitoring of processes would appear to be essential. The tremendous upsurge of awareness Another estimate is that companies could take a 10 in energy conservation has need to the flowering of consultancies who hire out their skills and experience to do

these jobs. One such firm is the Lancashire based Fuel Economy Consultants, set up eight years ago and now boasting a list of clients extending from Rolls-Royce, Associated Levland to Trust Houses worth, Trust Houses and Arthur Guinness.

Their role varies from a recent job of helping a large engineering company to modernize its boiler plant for an outlay of £35,000 and win savings of more than £35,000 a year, to advising which fuel and tariff even the smallest company should Helping to trim the fuel

bills of industry has undoubtedly proved lucrative for FEC. Its schemes generally involve it taking a share in any savings that are achieved. In the case of its "energy purchase surveil-lance service", the share is 55 per cent, although many large companies, where the potential to save energy is vast, prefer to negotiate

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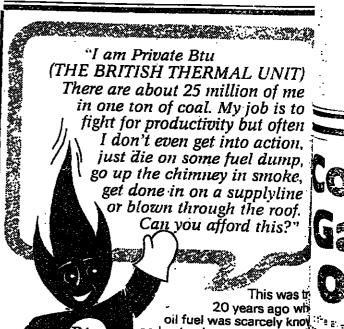
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A more basic question is:
has the whole thing been
based on a false premise?
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and therefore of transport,
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Wider consumer choice

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Before the war, petrol cost the equivalent of about 7p a gallon. Until quite recently it was still only about 20p. At such prices the marginal cost of using a car once bought and in the garage is small. Everyone uses them more than they need, and more wealthy people buy large, voracious vehicles whose consumption of energy and other resources is beginning to look offensively irresponsible.

actions earlier this year. But petrol at more than 60p a gallon and the prospect of paying £1 a gallon or more next year will no doubt have a far sharper one. So what can we expect over the years ahead?

Fewer people will **OWN CATS**

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Closer scrutiny for nature's sources

the direct use of solar hear surface cooling it occurs at for water hearing is now great depths and so is hard

by Kenneth Owen
Technology Correspondent
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Economy drive could put quality of life in danger

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moments on the quality of Most industrial countries

Disturbing signs bisturbing signs are already emerging. Britain has suspended its programme for reducing the amount of lead in petrol until a further study on the medical and economic implications of low-lead petrol bas been completed. In the short term the suspension was aimed at reducing

Standardization

the first stage of the programme probably added about £10m to the country's oil import bill. Completion of the programme could add Lead in petrol is a subject full of difficulties. Many authorines feel the lead content in exhaust emissions is not injurious to health. But it demonstrates the dilemma in which governments can find themselves. The short term halance of oavments advanbalance of payments advan-tage has to be weighed against possible, but not conclusively proved, health

petrol consumption because

The Americans are under pressure to relax the regulations on all exhaust emissions. Devices designed to reduce emissions also reduce fuel consumption and in many American vehicles they make starting and cold-running operations difficult. But whereas there is doubt over the health hazards involved in lead there are few people who would are few people who would dispute the adverse effect

of car exhausts. Even oil companies do not dispute that much of the atmospheric pollution in the world is caused by the production of energy or its consumption. But they have not raised objections to calls for the relaxation of strict regulations on the use strict regulations on the use of high sulphur fuels in American power stations and factories. Regulations have been hard-won and should not be surrendered lightly.

also has strict Japan regulations on high sulphur fuels, and like America has been forced to search the oil and coal because their existing plants are not equipped to handle the more readily available highsulphur fuels. This search has driven up the cost of

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Britain can't afford to waste heat... so we've found a better way to burn gas.

There is a vital need to conserve energy, especially precious natural gas. Which makes the British Gas research programme to find even more efficient ways of using natural gas more important than ever.

The latest product of this research is a new method of waste heat recovery. It involves a new type of burner which combines the function of burner, flue and recuperator. When installed in a production kiln at a Stoke-on-Trent pottery, it replaced eight conventional burners and cut fuel consumption by 30 per cent. In a steel reheating furnace it has produced a fuel saving of 50 per cent.

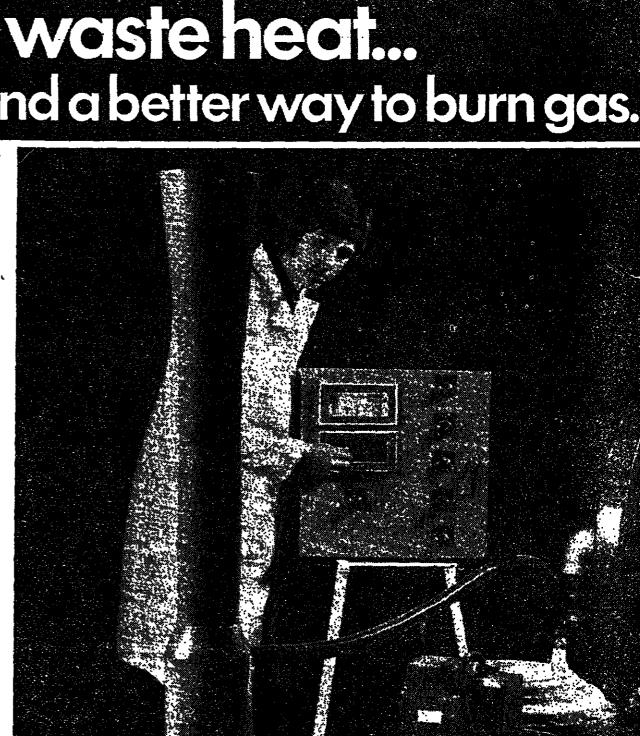
Gas is also making an important contribution to solving Britain's energy problems in many other ways:-

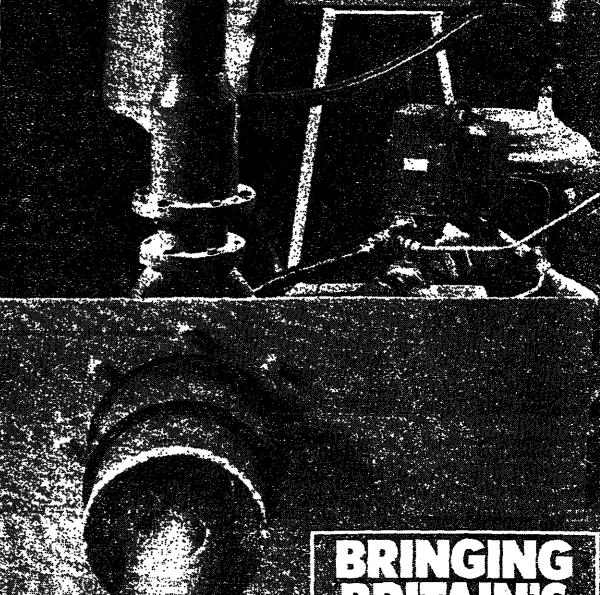
1. By pushing ahead its development programme British Gas expects to be supplying at least 30 per cent of the nation's useful heat this winter.

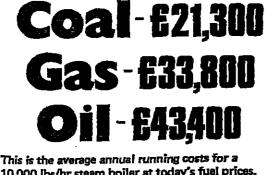
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The alternative method is forward new techniques top-floor ceiling. There are a the top floor using the same providing inexpensive he

heat in the home. When the weather grows cold we have mer the problem by simply increasing the central heating, switching on another bar of the electric fire, or shoveling more coal into the hearth.

This system works reasonably well, but it is wasteful and now expensive because an alarming amount of that carries an alarming amount of that carries an alarming amount of that carries a degree of family extra heat disappears quite uselessly. Rather than generating more heat, the house holder should concentrate on achieved by keeping outside to the floor can be treated in the finite ton should be laid over the top-floor ceiling. There are a top-floor ceiling through its constant to should be laid over the top-floor ceiling. There are a top-floor ceiling. There are a top-floor ceiling through the ceilings of the

rating more heat, the house savings in heat loss can be holder should concentrate on achieved by keeping outside to high winds and rain, or if rubble has been left in the seeing that his home uses heat to the maximum efficiency, and this means keeping outside of the the building.

In the average house heat level of warmth has been left in the sality, and those companies loss is absurdly high, with 35 reached.

In the average house heat level of warmth has been brick wills can also be insultation or it should be painted with the joins overlapping, the walls and 25 per cent escaping through the roof. Fifteen per switches and thermostats, can be undertaken by a home another 15 per cent into the most unequipped systems. Left to a builder.

The holder should concentrate on achieved by keeping outside trubble has been left in the see the slates or tiles, there is no need to worry on this score; but if the roof is hardboard, which will take score; but if the roof is hardboard, which will take or felted, the top heaters when a comfortable unality, and those companies boarded or felted, the top heaters when a comfortable unality, and those companies boarded or felted, the top heaters when a comfortable unality, and those companies boarded with the floor can be covered with sheets of improved the score; but if the roof is no need to worry on this score; but if the roof is no need to worry on this score; but if the roof is no need to worry on this score; but if the roof is no need to worry on this score; but if the roof is no need to worry on this score; but if the roof is no need to worry on this score; but if the roof is no need to worry on this score; but if the roof is no need to worry on this score; but if the roof is no need to worry on this score; but if the roof is no need to worry on this score; but if the roof is no need to worry on this score; but if the roof is no need to worry on this score; but if the roof is no need to worry on this score; but if the roof is no need to worry on the score; but if the roof is

by Charles Lyte

ground, while 10 per cent is lost through the windows.

The high cost of all types of fuel—oil, coal, gas, electricity, even logs, and the promise of more price rises on the way—has introduced a new discipline into domestic science: the management of home heating.

Cheap fuel in the past has tended to make us a some—three most contends to the position to the problem. The solution to the problem into domestic insulated, although new regulation. Brick cavity tended to make us a some—three most contends to the future.

However great the draught

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Flat roofs require different loss through windows.

Accounting as they do for material, usually treated lay a new roof on the exist of mineral wool. This is covered ing one. Three-inch thick cient means of curi walls strip draught wool. This is covered by polythene sheeting and the whole enclosed with a plasterboard skin.

Cheap fuel in the past has the future.

However great the draught

Government support points the way for district schemes

by Patrick O'Leary

separate buildings. Some use "Should we obtain heat geo warm air ducts, but most thermally, or from wind, local authorities. He hoped year will be provided by young children.

"These are stirring times for district heating", someone in the industry said. Lord Greenwood, president of the District Heating Association, is among those doing the stirring.

He told a press conference early this year: "Studies in rators. Plants sometimes use argument applies to have be at the United States and other countries have shown that of these heat sources, while tris in the size of opera
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The told a press conf

trict heating was one of benevolent neutrality, ready to give guidance and help, but not to exert pressure. However, Mr Reginald Free-Minister for Housing and Construction, told the and Construction, told the New and expanding towns Commons in the summer that offer most scope. At Bret-

mixed with local authority fuel is natural gas, obtained estates, councils have to on a long-term contract when obtain special powers to serve them. Otherwise heat Rochdale has installed disand hot water can be sold trict heating in modernizing only to their own tenants.

Mr Arthur Brown, a leading member, said the District homes will benefit.

Heating Association had Rochdale has not predictable conclusion one. A large boiler can also be noisy in early stages of a threating in the scheme, when it is throttled predictable conclusion down to serve a small number of homes.

Nor is it cheap; at Bretton, full central heating and hot for more information in this field."

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rubbish along underground pipes from homes to the boilerhouse.

District heating has had develops a fault, complaints Wildenrath, in West Ger flow freely. To guarantee many's Rhineland.
continuous supply, it is often
better to use two or three the energy conservation study small boilers than one large published by the Centra

Quality of life could be in danger

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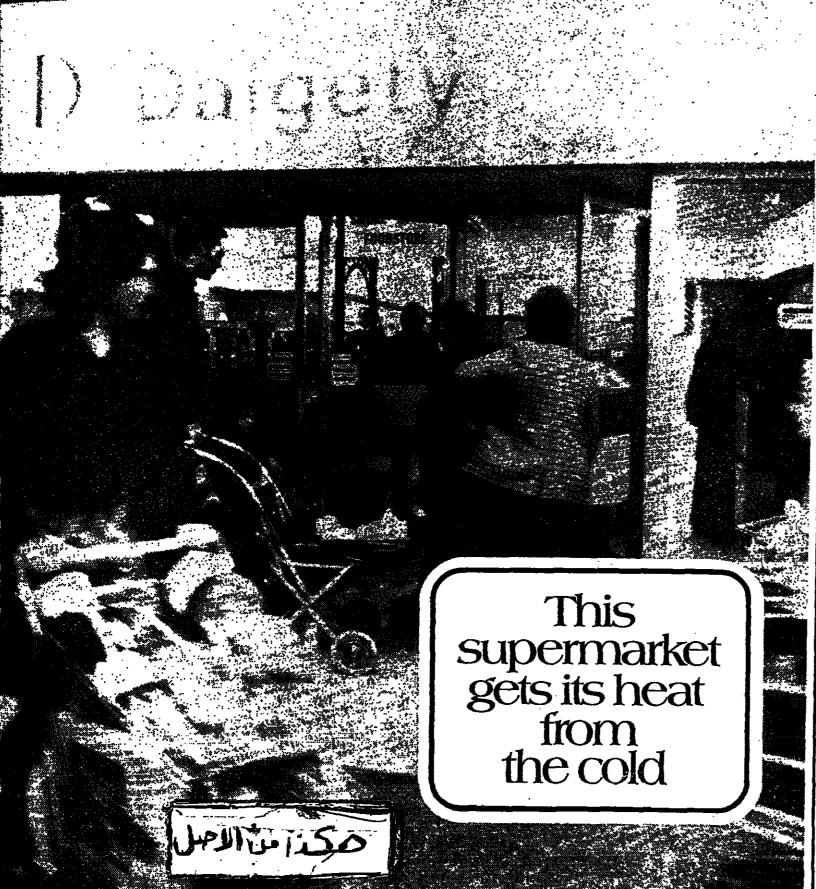
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The Department of the En vironment has gone into the business itself. Its Property Services Agency has installed district heating for bunga teething troubles, and when lows and houses occupied by a system serving 1,000 homes British Service families a

Heating Association had Battersea power station, terrace house costs £1.95 a However they did say the asked the Government to London, uses waste hot water week. But the rising cost of be connected to simple spive general district heating to warm homes in Pimlico. heating by other means afschemes by the end of the schemes by the end of the Price sensitivity also in about four or five times the

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In this frozen-food supermarket—the new Dalgety at Languey, Eastbourne-much of the heating to keep the shop at a comfortable 68°F comes from the refrigeration plant. The remainder comes from the lighting and



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have had a number of major successes and have influenced the way in which several important energy projects have been designed and will be managed. The long battle over the Alaskan pipeline produced a scheme that is vastly superior, from an ecological point of view, to the original proposals made by the oil companies.

Environmental

been prepared to put a clean air and water. With

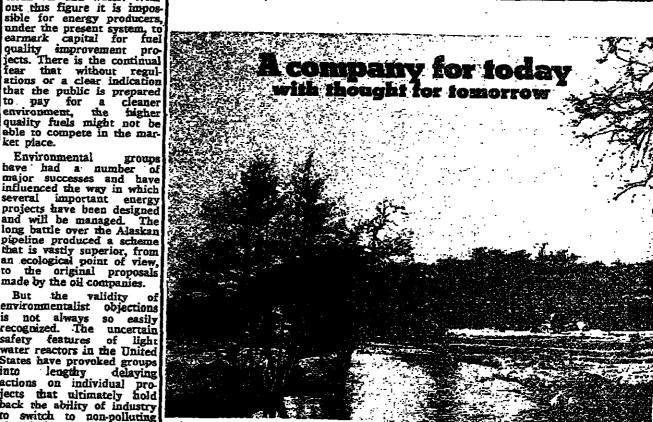
But the validity of environmentalist objection is not always so easily recognized. The uncertain safety features of light water reactors in the United States have provoked groups into lengthy delaying actions on individual projects that ultimately hold back the ability of industry to switch to non-polluting electrical electrical power for pro-cessing, and affects the future climate for the electric car. Neither of these changes can be achieved without nuclear power.

Environmentalists do play valuable part in focusing attention on the real dangers caused by radioac tive waste from power stations. Plutonium, one of the waste products, has a balf life of 200,000 years. The greatest test of man's willingness to destroy the environment in order to maintain his present way of

life could come with plans for the development of shale oil in America. Squeezing oil from shale rock leaves a residue of powdery ash that is greater in volume than the original shale rock.

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